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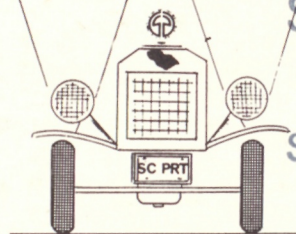
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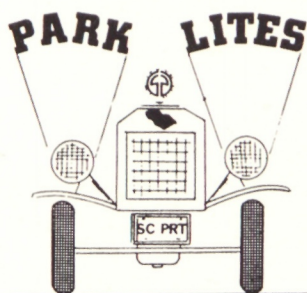
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**FRONT COVER:** In the springtime, man's fancy turns to thoughts of . . . fishing! These anglers are trying their luck in a cove on Lake Jocassee near Keowee-Toxaway State Park. Photo by Jim Denning.



# FROM THE DIRECTOR



The summer season will be upon us before we know it. All of us are trying to use the remaining weeks of the spring season to prepare for the onslaught of visitors. Although we always hope for the best, we must expect the worst, and we will probably continue to be faced with some of the problems that we encountered during the past two summer seasons. I am speaking specifically of the disregard for park rules and regulations and the lack of respect for park personnel and others in authority.

I appreciate your calmness and self-control when dealing with these persons (who hopefully are in the minority among our park visitors!) If you are familiar with your park and its operations and if you put yourself in the visitor's position before making a decision, things should sort themselves out most of the time. Adjustments are being made in order to take care of our budget cuts made during the winter. I am certain that each of you will do everything within your power to assure us of another successful season.

The advent of summer brings about many changes in our overall operation. Those of you at our coastal state parks have changed your camping rates from \$4.25 to \$6.25 per site per night beginning April 1. The parking fees will again be collected at Myrtle Beach State Park this summer, and personnel in the Program Section are in the process of interviewing and hiring Program Leaders for selected state parks.

Superintendents have recently held their Spring Meetings on April 5, 7, 12 and 14 at Sesquicentennial State Park's Training Center. Your reports in this issue reflect how each park is being readied for the summer season. I was pleased to see the winter weather overcome by the "spring thaw," and I hope that we'll have nothing but warm days ahead. Although we endured some bitter cold days and nights, we were indeed much more fortunate than those living in other sections of the country.

The spring of 1977 is a time to say farewell to former PRT Commission Chairman Dwight A. Holder and welcome to newly-appointed Chairman D. Gene Rickenbaker of Sumter and Commission member Hubert Hendrix of Spartanburg. Mr. Hendrix, editor of the Spartanburg Journal, was appointed to the PRT Commission in January to fill the unexpired term of Edmund A. "Ned" Ramsaur, who passed away December 18, 1976.

The formation and resulting progress of PRT during the past eleven years are a direct reflection of Dwight Holder's tireless efforts and contagious enthusiasm. We will miss his guidance and leadership, but we know that he will continue to be vitally interested in PRT's mission and ongoing programs.

We look forward to working with Mr. Rickenbaker and Mr. Hendrix and promise them our continued spirit of close cooperation to offer the best in programs, personnel and state park facilities for the enjoyment of South Carolinians and out-of-state visitors.

Let's look on the bright side, keep our chins up and smile a lot! Labor Day will be here before we know it! We might do well to remember the following Indian prayer when dealing with park visitors this summer . . . . "Great spirit, grant that I may not criticize my neighbor until I have walked a mile in his moccasins." The meaning would certainly be more appropriate if we substituted the words "park visitor" for "neighbor".

RAY M. SISK, *Director*  
Division of State Parks



D. GENE RICKENBAKER

## *Sumter Attorney Appointed P.R.T. Commission Chairman*



D. Gene Rickenbaker, new chairman of the South Carolina Parks, Recreation and Tourism Commission, has been praised by Gov. James B. Edwards as "an outstanding individual dedicated to good government."

Rickenbaker, a Sumter attorney, was appointed chairman of the commission in March. In speaking of Rickenbaker, the Governor said, "I am delighted that Mr. Rickenbaker has agreed to accept this appointment. He is an outstanding individual dedicated to good government. I am confident that his able leadership will help South Carolina continue to make tremendous strides in the development of all aspects of our fine tourism-vacation industry."

The new chairman will fill the unexpired term of Dwight A. Holder, who resigned as commission chairman last month. Holder was the first chairman of the commission and had served in the post for ten years.

Rickenbaker is a 1966 graduate of the University of South Carolina Law School. A former assistant U.S. attorney, he served briefly in the Edwards administration in 1975 before returning to the Rogers, Rigs and Rickenbaker law firm.

The term to which Rickenbaker has been appointed expires June 30.



AFTER TEN YEARS . . .

## CHAIRMAN HOLDER RETIRES



Governor James Edwards (left) and PRT Commission Chairman Dwight Holder confer prior to a press conference at which time Holder announced his intention to retire from the Commission.

Dwight A. Holder of Pickens, chairman of the South Carolina Parks, Recreation and Tourism Commission since its creation ten years ago, submitted his resignation February 15 to Governor James B. Edwards.

Holder requested that the resignation be made effective on March 4th following the next regular meeting of the PRT Commission.

Citing his decade of service as "long enough," Holder said he doesn't "want to stay too long and lose the fond memories of a situation that has been good to me."

Holder was appointed chairman of the PRT Commission in 1967 by then Governor Robert E. McNair and he subsequently was reappointed by Governor John C. West.

In his letter of resignation to Governor Edwards, the Pickens businessman said, "In accepting the Chairmanship, I realized it was a tremendous challenge but also an opportunity to be of service to my state which has been so good to me and my family — this I have tried to do.

"I want to briefly mention some of the accomplishments of PRT during my tenure as chairman, but first let me say that the key to the success of the Department has been good management. The Commission and staff of PRT have always tried to run a lean, trim and progressive agency. I believe PRT may be the only Department in State Government that has fewer employees today than it did two years ago.

"During the past 10 years the state park system has been developed to serve more than ten million users annually.

"The acreage owned by our state park system has increased from 49,000 acres to 64,000 acres. The 15,000 acres increase has a present land value of \$6,681,000.00. Of this only \$1,300,000 of state funds were spent, the balance being donations by the private sector and federal funds.

"South Carolina today has one of the finest park systems in the country.

"In the field of recreation PRT has assisted in planning and securing federal funds for 500 projects throughout the state for an investment of \$19.5 million. On December 13, 1976 the Director of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation in the U. S. Department of Interior wrote to our Executive Director Fred Brinkman that South Carolina PRT has one of the best planning and implementation programs going in America and perhaps the entire world.

"Tourism which now attracts more than a billion dollars annually from out-of-state visitors, has become South Carolina's second largest industry. The advertising and promotional material has been selected several times for regional and national awards for excellency.

"The Welcome Centers of South Carolina were selected as the most attractive and best operated east of the Mississippi River.

"For all of these accomplishments credit and sincere thanks must be given to a great group of dedicated South Carolinians who have given much of their time and talent — members of the PRT Commission whom I have served with — to Bob Hickman and Fred Brinkman, the two Executive Directors — to the great group of state employees in the Department — to Governors McNair, West and Edwards who have enthusiastically supported our program — to the Lieutenant Governors, members of the Budget and Control Board, members of the General Assembly, affiliated agencies of the SCORP Exchange Council and the South Carolina Travel Council and other organizations and citizens of South Carolina."



## HUBERT HENDRIX JOINS BOARD

Hubert Hendrix, Spartanburg newspaper executive, brings a distinguished record of professional and civic accomplishments to the South Carolina Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) Commission in his new post as Commissioner from the Fourth Congressional District.

Governor Edwards appointed Hendrix to fill the unexpired term of the late E. A. (Ned) Ramsaur of Greenville, who died last December. Ramsaur had served as the District's Commissioner since PRT was created in 1967. The appointment of Hendrix was confirmed in February by the South Carolina Senate.

Hendrix is associate publisher of the Spartanburg Herald-Journal newspapers and editor of the Herald. He joined the Spartanburg newspapers in 1950 following his graduation from the University of South Carolina School of Journalism.

In 1960, Hendrix was named South Carolina Man of the Year by the State Jaycees. He has served as president of the South Carolina United Way and the Spartanburg County United Way.

Hendrix's many civic leadership roles on the local level have included offices of president of the Spartanburg Chamber of Commerce, Spartanburg Jaycees and Rotary Club. He presently serves as chairman of the county's Easter Seal Chapter.

This month he was the recipient of the Founder's Day Award in recognition of his leadership in the founding and development of the University of South Carolina-Spartanburg.

A native of Woodruff, Hendrix and his wife, Lovonia, reside in Spartanburg. They have four children, two sons and two daughters.

Hendrix is one of the seven gubernatorial-appointed members of the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Commission who serve as the policy-making body for the State PRT Department. Commissioners from other Congressional Districts are Robert R. Rigby of Columbia, H. W. Close of Fort Mill, James D. McNair of Aiken, C. B. Askins of Lake City and Joe Fraser of Hilton Head Island.

Eight heads of state agencies with responsibilities related to the objectives of the PRT Department serve as ex officio members on the PRT Commission.



"After just one meeting of the Commission, I came away much impressed by the seriousness of purpose and knowledge of its members. I noticed particularly that the staff made sure that no commissioner need be uninformed about any matter that would be discussed.

In my experience, I have found one or both of these factors sometimes missing.

I come to the Commission with something of an open mind on practically all the functions and responsibilities of PRT. I am not an avid sportsman, hunter, fisher, or camper.

I play golf only when it is mandatory — which, thank goodness, is not often. My idea of a good weekend is several hundred hands of good bridge, some small-stake poker with plenty of wild cards, and perhaps a bit of swimming or a boat ride to clear the brain.

Argumentation is another hobby of mine, according to my family and friends.

However, I believe I am sufficiently aware of the great importance of recreation and tourism to our state and of the vital role of PRT.

My initial contact with the Commission and staff convinced me that I will enjoy their association and I hope to contribute positively to their objectives."

HUBERT HENDRIX



## "MISS STATE PARKS" ON THE MOVE



Governor Edwards and Janet Kelly, "Miss South Carolina State Parks" for 1977, draw the first ten names for the assignment of state park cabins during the summer season. Miss Kelly, a sophomore at Erskine College, is the daughter of Mrs. Jeanne B. Kelly of Greenville.



PRT Commission Chairman D. Gene Rickenbaker and Miss Kelly discuss upcoming state park events at the conclusion of the March commission meeting. Her hobbies include horseback riding, camping, backpacking and swimming. The two rocking chairs were donated by retired Columbia attorney Aubrey Gasque and will be displayed at Rose Hill State Park.

## Three State Parks Named For Ned Ramsaur

Three state parks in northwest South Carolina were named the Ned Ramsaur Mountain Recreation Area by the State Parks, Recreation and Tourism Commission recently.

Honoring the late PRT Commissioner Edmund A. "Ned" Ramsaur, the area includes Wildcat Wayside and Pleasant Ridge state parks and the recently acquired Jones Gap State Park. The parks, retaining their individual names, will be developed in the future, according to a PRT spokesman.

Ramsaur, a commissioner representing the Third Congressional District, served in that capacity from PRT's inception in 1967 until his death December 18. A Greenville native, he was president of Multimedia, Inc. and co-publisher of the Greenville News-Piedmont.

PRT Commission Chairman Dwight A. Holder said the Ramsaur Recreation Area will be promoted in the future through appropriate means, including the establishment of a memorial marker at an interpretive center in the area.

Also announced at the meeting is the establishment of the Ned Ramsaur Travel Writing Awards Program, to provide recognition to writers for outstanding accomplishments in news articles publicizing South Carolina and its leisure attractions.

The awards program, co-sponsored by the S. C. Travel Council of the State Chamber of Commerce and the Tourism Division of PRT, will recognize writers during the annual governor's conference on travel.



# SUMMARY OF STATE PARKS ATTENDANCE — 1976

Name of Park	Interpretive Centers	Lodges and Cabins	Site & Other Camping	Group Camps	Boaters	Bicycles	Fishermen	Picnickers	Swimmers	Carpet Golf & Golf Courses	Horseback Riding	Total Vehicles	Out-of- State Visitors	1976 Park Visitors
Aiken			3,489		1,591		4,527	44,683	7,438		150	22,979	2,172	91,916
Andrew Jackson	42,955		3,477				2,648	25,934				29,309	13,557	117,236
Baker Creek			16,800		574		14,414	18,253	3,825	3,325		52,405	25,662	209,620
Barnwell		1,070	1,785		1,166		1,978	56,854	2,402			33,133	4,027	132,532
Charles Towne Landing												92,816	38,219	266,188
Cheraw		2,080	2,606	10,937	2,131		5,568	37,162	13,716	2,961		41,118	5,622	164,472
Chester			4,368		1,174		2,907	55,058				37,192	12,323	147,748
Colleton			4,967		12		1,662	26,803				8,769	5,537	35,076
Croft			4,232		4,312		7,816	10,660			1,675	55,000	848	220,000
Dreher Island			4,672		3,223		6,863	2,398						14,853
Edisto Beach		5,354	43,958				6,850	161,031		9,053		102,945	104,694	411,780
Givhans Ferry		1,584	5,100	15			2,152	95,352	11,106	3,398		39,938	5,956	159,752
Goodale					832		2,665	32,416	4,047	5,225		17,764	4,839	71,056
Greenwood			32,813		5,288		12,148	172,471				116,027	11,493	464,110
Hamilton Branch			56,914				32,173	19,468				56,943	26,550	227,772
Hickory Knob		30,895	7,432		390	1,188	20,686	95				142,595	190,505	570,480
Hunting Island	142,008	19,782	85,996				94,987	190,411	278,744	8,985		237,563	285,077	950,252
Huntington Beach	15,909		58,475				23,222	84,591	63,253	2,992		151,274	204,015	597,932
Keowee-Toxaway	10,219		98				1,119	20,462				13,164	10,813	52,435
Kings Mountain			27,725	9,292	10,263	40	5,023	73,831	12,036	15,302	824	45,390	57,825	181,560
Lee			4,827		489		3,514	40,050	3,982			27,655	10,783	110,620
Little Pee Dee			6,157		2,302		4,600	69,114	6,021			24,498	32,507	97,992
Lynches River			123		336		2,801	38,456				44,098	4,895	176,392
Myrtle Beach		5,018	139,879				27,356	542,191	295,413	9,434		353,198	471,644	1,412,792
Oconee	9,725	18,637	35,560		11,972		8,949	112,267	19,573	15,941		70,232	28,049	280,928
Old Dorchester			16,145	4,037	8,938		4,482	40,273				35,114	45,938	140,456
Paris Mountain			3,691		424		1,636	103,024	18,691			82,548	42,130	330,192
Pleasant Ridge		1,481					2,027	30,193	2,583		23	19,179	6,559	76,720
Poinsett		1,737	5,953		5,980		2,666	57,317	10,375			38,689	6,320	154,756
Rivers Bridge	6,004	105	1,897		412		1,991	22,226	11,140			22,022	4,880	88,088
Rose Hill	33,512						1,195	22,577				16,735	4,427	66,940
Sadlers Creek			14,632		392		33,733	31,294	2,230			36,020	47,577	144,080
Santee	1,998	6,978	39,552		5,366	2,067	145,731	221,182	10,759	2,469		205,181	180,327	820,724
Sesqui			13,216		10,125		1,266	119,080	15,122	4,835		107,489	8,784	429,956
Table Rock		14,054	17,495		16,563		3,830	189,764	18,908	7,445		100,348	46,653	401,392
Woods Bay							1,017	2,946				2,548	292	10,192
	262,330	108,778	664,034	24,281	94,255	3,295	496,202	2,769,887	811,364	91,365	2,851	2,481,878	1,951,499	9,828,990



## MID-WINTER BIRD COUNT CONDUCTED AT FOURTEEN STATE PARKS



Participants in a bird count attempt to cover all the area of a park, sighting, identifying and recording the different species of birds and the numbers of each species observed.

Three hardy souls tramped the shoreline of Clark Hill Reservoir, their bodies fairly well frozen from their moustaches to the tips of their toes. Another group studied and hunted the marshes and dunes of our southern coast. A third party crept stealthily through pinewoods and along backroads on an early morning search. They went in troops and they went singly, and when they were done they had completed one of the most unorthodox parks programs in a long time, and had fun doing it. With binoculars and note pads and long hours of enthusiastic search, they made the first State Parks Mid-Winter Bird Count an unqualified success.

The Nature Section organized the count to gather information on winter bird populations in our various parks. The accumulated data from this count will be of great significance in future nature interpretive programs, and hopefully will help to develop a better picture of South Carolina's wintering bird population as a whole.

The count was held in fourteen parks: Aiken, Cheraw, Croft, Hickory Knob, Hunting Island, Huntington Beach, Kings Mountain, Lynches River, Oconee, Rivers Bridge, Sadlers Creek, Santee,

Sesquicentennial, and Table Rock, totalling 40,000 acres. These parks were chosen to provide the greatest geographic diversity, with two coast locations, three more in the coastal plain, three in the sandhills, four in the piedmont area, and two in our mountains.

This program, held on consecutive Saturdays (January 29 and February 5) attracted seventy-seven participants from four states and one foreign country. Weather conditions were generally less than ideal, with cool temperatures and strong winds prevailing, but the birds were not uncooperative. Our counters, some of whom started their "bird hunting" well before dawn to listen for owls, tallied 139 species and 18,866 individuals. While these numbers may seem staggeringly high to many, nonetheless we feel they represent a characteristic cross-section of the wealth of avifauna (birds) that visit our parks annually.

Hunting Island afforded the greatest show, with both the highest number of species (93) and individuals (5,143) seen, although Huntington Beach was close behind in both categories. Several unusual and seldom-seen birds were found on our count. Those who were in the field before dawn were rewarded with the calls, and occasional sightings, of screech, great horned, and barred owls — a total of nineteen was recorded. Other unexpected sightings included a red-necked grebe and three ipswich sparrows at Huntington Beach, a bald eagle at Santee, and both yellow-throated and Blackburnian warblers at Hunting Island. The Blackburnian, a rare fall migrant in the coastal plain, had never before been recorded in South Carolina during the winter, and was indisputably the prize find.

With a successful winter count completed, plans are being tentatively drawn up for a summer program. With expanded park coverage and greater participation, both of which we will be striving for, the summer bird count should be rewarding to participants and parks personnel alike.

BRIAN ELLIOT CASSIE  
Historic Resources Coordinator



# PROFILES

## DISTRICT 1

**Bud Klein**, *Superintendent*  
Hampton Plantation

## DISTRICT 2

**Ed Nesbit**, *Superintendent*  
Lynches River

### BUD KLEIN

*Superintendent, Hampton Plantation*

Bud hails from Minnesota, where he attended schools through high school. He worked as a stone mason and forester for the Civilian Conservation Corps from 1940 to 1942, at which time he joined the Navy. This decision led to a career spanning twenty-two years! Bud was a commissary steward, butcher and baker (but never learned the art of making candlesticks!) He was discharged in 1964 after serving 18 of his 22 years at sea duty on an assortment of vessels including light cruisers, troop transports, destroyers, mine sweepers and support ships.

Doris, his wife, is a Sandlapper from McCormick. She was a member of the WAVES stationed in New York but was discharged in 1945 prior to marrying Bud in 1946. Twice she came home to McCormick while Bud was at sea, and the other times she lived at the home port "waiting for the ships to come home." The Kleins have a son, Wyatt and a daughter, Nancy. Wyatt, an aluminum siding and window installer, lives in Augusta, Georgia while Nancy lives in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Bud and Doris spent three weeks in Germany in 1969 visiting their daughter. This trip, which included visits to many European countries, provided them with many pleasant memories and tangible mementoes. Bud enjoys working with wood, and has fashioned several walking canes from gnarled roots and other pieces. He used to hunt, but now gets more enjoyment just observing wildlife. Doris spends her spare moments sewing, doing embroidery and making quilts.

After retiring from the Navy in 1964, Bud worked at Fort Gordon for six years as Chief of Security. The years 1970-1972 found the Kleins back out West in Minnesota while Bud worked for the Veterans Administration. South Carolina was calling, however, and the Kleins returned in 1972 with Bud joining the state park system as a ranger at Baker Creek. He transferred to Keowee-Toxaway in March of 1974 and moved to Hampton Plantation six months later.

Wildlife abounds at Hampton, much to the delight of the Kleins. One night Bud spotted about two dozen deer in the cemetery near their home. Hawks, fox and wildcats (one at least 35 pounds!) have been seen at Hampton.

Work at Hampton can be divided into two categories . . . groundskeeping and work on the mansion itself. Doris has been equally enthusiastic about Hampton and has learned much about the variety of trees, shrubs and plants on the property. Will Alston, who has lived at Hampton all his life, assists Bud with work in the gardens and wooded areas. All of the interior plaster, laths and other decayed materials were removed in a project that consumed about four months! The exterior has been tremendously improved recently

# PARK PERSONALITIES

## DISTRICT 3

**Mike Hendrix**, *Superintendent*  
Table Rock

## DISTRICT 4

**Chevis Wald**, *Ranger*  
Baker Creek



with a new slate roof, copper gutters and downspouts and a fresh paint job.

The Kleins have become a part of the community life of nearby McClellanville. Bud is a member of the Exchange Club and Doris started to work in February as secretary at the Francis Marion National Forest District Office. They have taken up square dancing with the Pleasant Swingers in Mount Pleasant and enjoy tripping the light fantastic once or twice a week.

Interested persons seek out Hampton practically everyday of the year, according to Bud. Most of them are genuinely interested in the historical background of the Plantation. Attendance has been picking up this spring as the many shrubs and flowering plants approach their peak of bloom. Two tours were scheduled as this article was being prepared . . . the Archibald Rutledge Academy tour March 26 and the Prince George Winyah Episcopal Church tour April 1-2. Last year the school tour attracted 200 and the church tour 2,000 persons!

The Kleins have done quite a bit of camping over the years. Using a tent, a tent camper and a travel trailer they have visited one-third of the states. They plan to continue their wanderings after retirement, with one goal of touring the West and Northwest with a travel trailer for their "home away from home." Bud says that they will have no set schedule when retirement rolls around, and the gleam in his eyes indicated that those golden years will truly be enjoyable for Bud and Doris Klein!





### ED NESBIT

*Superintendent, Lynches River State Park*

Ed's a "tarheel" from Charlotte, where he graduated from West Mecklenburg High School. He did some landscaping work for two years after graduation, then was a truck driver, salesman and demonstrator for the Bush Hog Company for five years. Ed learned how to repair office machines at a technical education center, then worked with Royal Typewriter for four years.

Ed has worked at five state parks in South Carolina since joining the system in 1971 as a ranger at Table Rock. He was a Ranger I at Table Rock for 13 months, a Ranger II at Santee for one year, and a Ranger III at Paris Mountain for eight months when he was promoted to Superintendent and transferred to Old Dorchester. Thirteen months later it was time to pack his bags again and come to Lynches River. Although he has enjoyed his stay at all five parks, he prefers Paris Mountain and the surrounding foothills.

Ed's wife Judi is also from Charlotte. Married for thirteen years, they do not have any children but always seem to have one or more of their relative's children staying with them. She has done some bookkeeping for an auto dealer and crochets, knits and makes cypress lamps and candleholders in her spare time. Ed likes country music and rock music, and his sizeable record collection reflects his enthusiasm for the good sounds. They both used to water ski, but haven't done any for quite a while.

Ed's pride and joy is a 1977 Dodge van, complete with a complete factory custom interior package. The Nesbits enjoy traveling and camping in it, particularly at the beach and the Florida Keys. Ed does some scuba diving and skin diving while Judi is content just to dabble in skin diving. "Maybe I'll get brave enough to try scuba diving one of these days," she said.

Ed and Judi own 11 acres near Chimney Rock, North Carolina and plan to eventually build an A-frame home on the property. "We love both the mountains and the ocean," Ed exclaimed, "so here we are at Lynches River, smack dab in the middle of both!"

The two activities that park visitors inquire most about at Lynches River are swimming and camping. The community building, which can seat in excess of 200 persons, is the only large building of its type in the Florence area. Originally used for family reunions, it is now being widely used for company parties and picnics.

### MIKE HENDRIX

*Superintendent, Table Rock State Park*

Mike is from Ridge Spring, where he grew up on a farm with his parents and three brothers. He was a football hero in high school (the star fullback, to be exact!) at Ridge Spring Monetta High School. After a brief stint in the National Guard as a heavy equipment operator, Mike was discharged because of problems with a "bum knee" dating back to his football playing days.

Mike's next job was at the Aiken Coca-Cola plant, where he worked for 2½ years in the refrigeration service department. Mike had been talking about state park work with Gus Krajcik at Aiken State Park, and in August, 1969 Mike went to work at Sadlers Creek as a Ranger. Ten months later he was moved to Kings Mountain as Assistant Superintendent under Marshall Waldt. He was promoted to Superintendent and transferred to Table Rock in 1971 when former Superintendent Bob Jones was promoted to District Superintendent.

His wife, the former Jane Carpenter of Batesburg, went to the same high school with Mike. These "high school sweethearts" were married February "something" 1969 (he's forgotten the date already, Jane! Ed.). They have three children, Julie Elizabeth, 7½, Allie Michelle, 4 and Michael Wayne, Jr., 20 months. Jane's hobbies include sewing, making clothes, raising flowers, knitting and horseback riding. Mike enjoys playing golf, tinkering on and driving his jeep, fishing and hunting.

Since Ridge Spring and Batesburg are only eight miles apart, Jane and Mike visit both families frequently. They want to travel out west someday, but both enjoy life at Table Rock State Park. Mike's "wish list" for the park includes tennis courts and a recreation building. The greatest problem that he encounters at the park is searching for people that wander off the hiking trails and get lost.

Mike and Jane Hendrix both agree heartily that "there's no place like home," particularly when their home is located at such a scenic state park as Table Rock!





## CHEVIS WALD

Ranger, Baker Creek State Park

Chevis is a native of Walhalla, where he attended local schools and graduated from Walhalla High School in 1967. The following year he took a one-year Horticulture course at Tri-County TEC. He put this education to good use by teaching horticulture to seventh and eighth grade students at Oakway Junior High School.

The next four years found Chevis stamping out brush fires and polishing the brass pole at the Walhalla Fire Department. He joined the state park system in February 1975 as a Ranger at Table Rock. In the meantime he had acquired a wife, Melba by name, from a town near Oconee State Park with the quaint name of Mountain Rest.

August of 1976 came, and with it a promotion to Ranger II for Chevis and a transfer to Baker Creek State Park. "Much of the work at Table Rock centered around cabin maintenance and clean-up," Chevis said, "while at Baker Creek we are more concerned with the camping area and painting of park buildings."

Camping has been slack at Baker Creek since the fish stopped biting in November. Most of the campers at that park bring their boats and enjoy fishing, according to Wald.

His never-failing sense of humor and his ample size have resulted in Chevis acquiring the nickname of "Junior Samples!"

The Walds have a son, Harper, born September 13th that keeps both Chevis and Melba busy around the clock! Chevis enjoys fishing, while Melba sews and makes most of her own clothes. She also makes craft items sent to her through the mail from a craft club. The Walds have visited some 23 state parks and have camped in several. They also have done some camping on private land and at High Falls Park in Oconee County. Melba sees to it that they also visit her parents regularly!



Chevis and Melba plan to visit Charles Towne Landing in April, and have other South Carolina destinations in mind for future vacations. "There's no sense in visiting other states until we've seen our home state," Chevis remarked. That's good advice for all of us!

# SHOCK CHLORINATION

Shock chlorination is the placing of a strong chlorine solution into a well or other water source and the *complete* water distribution system to kill nuisance and disease-causing organisms.

The best way to add the chlorine into the system is to dissolve the chlorine in water and then pour into the well.

Before disinfecting the distribution system, temporarily remove or bypass any carbon filter in the system. Then open each faucet and hydrant in the distribution system one at a time. Let it run until the water has a strong chlorine odor at the faucet before turning it off and going to the next one. Add more chlorine at the well if the chlorine odor is weak at any faucet.

Water system accessories such as the water heater should be drained and refilled with chlorinated water. Release the air from the pressure tank (except for tanks with a permanent air cushion) so the tank will completely fill with the chlorinated water. Backwash the water softener and all filters (except carbon filters) with chlorinated water.

Once the chlorine adequately reaches all faucet points, let the chlorinated water stand in the well and distribution system at least two hours — preferably overnight. Then pump it out of the well and flush all lines.

Pump the flushed-out water through a hose to a drainage ditch, or bare area. Do *not* use it to water a garden or lawn. Do *not* let more than 100 gallons flow through faucets and drains that ultimately discharge into a septic tank.

Amount of chlorine to provide concentration of 200 mg/1

5% chlorine bleach — 3 pints for each 100 gallons of water to be chlorinated

65-75% chlorine powder (HTH) — ¼ pound for each 100 gallons of water to be chlorinated

DICKY BOUKNIGHT  
State Parks Engineer



## BRAVING THE ELEMENTS . . .

### **A WILDERNESS WEEKEND AT JONES GAP**



I had the pleasure of conducting the Jones Gap Wilderness Weekend program in February. Fifteen hardy souls put on their packs and headed into the gap early Saturday morning. We faced a projected rain storm, freezing temperatures, and four inches of snow that remained in the gap. The group was a mixture of people with many interests but a common bond . . . an intense interest in the future of Jones Gap Natural Area State Park.

The ice covered trail and swift streams posed some hazard to our group but each obstacle was overcome by experience and common sense. In this day and time, people seldom have the freedom to set their own pace for living or rely on their own knowledge and abilities. Governments protect us with speed limits and our employers arrange our daily schedules. When you enter the gap, you are on your own.



In the gap, we felt far removed from the rest of the world. We were there to accept things as they were. We did not need bridges to cross streams nor a warm lodge to protect us from the rain. The elements are an integral part of the experience.



The cold rain came and remained all night. It froze to the tents and caused the river to roar but Sunday morning brought us sunshine to burn off the cold fog and warm our souls.

Not a single person complained about the cold, the rain or wet feet. We could have spent the night in a cabin at Table Rock but anyone can do that! We spent the night with the sounds of wind and rain. Our well-being was dependent upon our knowledge and abilities.

Jones Gap can provide many more people the experience and opportunities it provided us. It is up to us to protect the gap's solitude and beauty.

CHARLES HARRISON  
State Park Recreator





## ***District I***

I would like to take up my space in this issue to recognize some of the park men and their wives for things that they have done in order that they may better serve the public and do a better job for our park system:

### **Huntington Beach**

Park personnel have purchased, with personal funds, CB radios for all park vehicles and they plan to purchase a base unit before the upcoming season. George Gordon, Ranger II, took annual leave to attend a Gravelly Factory Service School at Decatur, Georgia. This was done at his expense with some financial help from other personnel and the district superintendent. This will result in tremendous savings on repairs as George has already become rather proficient in keeping up this equipment.

### **Givhans Ferry**

John Holloway has purchased, from personal funds, a CB radio for his truck and a walkie talkie unit for his ranger, which is a big help in his operation.

### **Hunting Island**

Superintendent Erwin has purchased, with personal funds, a base CB unit for his residence which has been a tremendous help in delivering messages and taking care of emergencies. Our thanks to Dot Erwin for the many hours that she has spent answering phone calls, particularly since the Ford Times article on Hunting Island was published. Many of these calls come until midnight or later!

### **Colleton**

Glenn Farr has completed one phase of a DHEC sponsored pesticide application course at his own expense. He has also just completed another phase of this course at state expense.

### **Hampton Plantation**

We have many park wives who contribute much to our park system. Doris Klein of Hampton has spent many hard hours helping Bud and Will Alston in maintaining the shrubbery and grounds. Doris is now working as a secretary with the National Forest Service at McClellanville, and will be missed.

### **Myrtle Beach**

Recognition is given to Clarene Turner for the many extra hours that she has contributed to this park when help was needed. Many times she has voluntarily worked an eight hour shift (without pay) after having already worked a regular shift. She is truly a dedicated park wife.

Bobby Turner grudgingly takes three or four days off for Christmas but never takes a day off or uses any annual leave or holidays.

I hope that I have not overlooked anyone. I know there are times that the wives drop what they are doing to deliver messages and I know of many times that park personnel pay for small items out of their own pockets. I also know of the many times that these men use their own personal vehicles to conduct park business when a truck is in the shop or in use on the park.

My thanks to all of you.

N. B. COOLER

District I Superintendent

**CHARLES TOWNE LANDING** — Thousands of South Carolinians may have seen the beautiful Walt Disney movie *AMERICA* while visiting either Disney World or Disney Land, but probably very few are aware that a portion of this movie was filmed at Charles Towne Landing.

The actual filming took place prior to Charles Towne Landing becoming a State Park. We do not know how the Disney people found out about our beautiful gardens, but Walt Disney thought they were worthy of a personal visit. Mrs. Ferdinanda Waring stated that Mr. Disney was impressed by the tremendous size of the oaks and planned to return the following spring to see the spectacular color of the azaleas and many other flowers. Mr. Disney passed away a few months later, but the beauty of Charles Towne Landing lives on in his film.

We at Charles Towne Landing feel that we have overlooked these lovely gardens in years gone by. Perhaps we have just taken them for granted, but our spring advertising program will concentrate on the lovely spring foliage. We will tell listeners, readers and viewers that if they have not seen the Old Towne Plantation Gardens, they have not seen all of the large Charleston area gardens.

Perhaps the most important feature of this magnificent 80 acre garden is that virtually all the credit for its existence must go to Mrs. Waring. Forty years ago she started the project of planting thousands of camelias and azaleas and one hundred oaks in addition to those already here.

Even today, her interest in the gardens is just as vivid as the day she planted the first azalea . . . maybe even more so. Each year these gardens are enhanced by planting more flowering shrubs.

Yes, for too long now Old Town Plantation Gardens have gone virtually unnoticed by the many thousands who visit Charleston annually, but this shall no longer be the case.

It is our feeling that the Old Towne Plantation Gardens are unique, thriving as they do on the soil which was occupied by the first permanent English settlers in South Carolina.



It is a romantic experience to walk under the large moss draped oak trees, where long ago the native Indians and later the first settlers walked; and to view the spacious gardens.

These evergreen gardens often reward one surprisingly with splashes of color — even in the off season.

These are your gardens, tended by your state. We hope you will enjoy them and come to know them well.

JANSON COX  
Exposition Park Manager

**COLLETON STATE PARK** — It has been a long bitter cold Winter down here in the country and the weather surely has curtailed outdoor activities. This is one year we will be glad to see Spring "Busting Out All Over".

Our camping is running ahead of last year, but the "Snow Birds" surely are disappointed when they find that our weather is almost as nasty as theirs was when they left home. We have had two one inch snowfalls in the last three weeks, which is very unusual for the low country. If anyone hears me complaining about the heat this summer I hope he will give me a swift kick in the seat of my pants to remind me how cold it was this winter!

The Sams of Beaufort Camping Club spent a weekend with us in February. They were favorably impressed with the cleanliness of our park, and plan to camp here often. A letter from club Vice-President William E. Flanagan included this statement: "It is hard to find a park where the grounds are so well kept and there is no paper or flip tabs laying around." We all know that it takes a lot of hard work to keep a park clean, but compliments such as this make it all worthwhile!

The Edisto river is over her banks as it has been since November. The shad fisherman are happy about this because it prevents the fishermen at Jacksonboro (down the river) from catching all the shad before they have a chance to get this far up the river.

The American Shad (*Alosa sapidissima*) is primarily an ocean fish that comes up coastal rivers in early spring to spawn. The early running fish are mostly males or "bucks" with the females or "roe" fish coming in later runs. The shad is a free spawner (the eggs must be kept moving by the current or they will sink to the bottom and suffocate) and the average female lays 25 to 30 thousand eggs. In the fall the young fish move down to the ocean and after three or four years return to complete the cycle. Shad have been caught in nets since colonial days, but in recent years it has been found that they will hit small artificial lures and flies. Some fishermen consider them to be a top sport fish. The flesh is tasty, but there are plenty of bones. Most people consider the roe to be a delicacy and will drive miles to buy them when they find out where they are available.

Those dogwood blossoms surely will be a welcome sight this year, and hopefully camping and other outdoor recreation will increase greatly.

God Bless,  
HARRY G. FARR  
Superintendent

**EDISTO BEACH** — This past Thanksgiving Day saw the Second Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at Edisto. A few campers who spend several weekends a year at Edisto got together and purchased a hog, which we barbecued. The tables were spread about 1 o'clock with about 200 people enjoying the good food and fellowship.

With the passing of Thanksgiving, camping has fallen off, but camping has started to pick up for next season. This should be a busy camping season again this year at Edisto with only 75 campsites and the seven day camping limit.

Our winter work program is progressing right along. Don Schumpert and Jimmy Stapleton of the Maintenance Crew have been busy remodeling the cabins at Edisto. We hope that four of our five cabins will be ready for Easter weekend.

Best wishes for the coming year!

MELL FELDER  
Superintendent

**GIVHANS FERRY STATE PARK** — The 1976-77 winter season has REALLY been one to remember! The weather in the Charleston area during the month of November was the coldest it had been in 200 years. Who am I to doubt the weatherman? We even had snow at times when none fell further to the north in the Palmetto State.

After spending a joyous holiday with my family in the Anderson area and a few days relaxing in Florida, I am ready to get back into the groove. The cold weather has reduced activity somewhat here at Givhans Ferry, but we can expect the day users on weekends unless it is raining. The cold weather doesn't seem to stop them from coming.

It was a pleasure to have the Way-Farers camping club with us again on New Year's Eve and day. They camp with us each year during the holiday season. One family reunion rents the recreation building and several cabins each year around Thanksgiving. A few cabin users and campers have braved the cold weather with us, however our camping has been below average for this time of the year.

The reduced park attendance has given us the opportunity to get needed repairs and maintenance work done. One project occupying a lot of our time recently has been adding a much-needed room on the ranger's residence. I am certain that we will stay busy until our attendance picks up later this spring.

I hope that all of you have a safe winter until the spring thaw arrives. May God bless . . . .

JOHN B. HOLLOWAY  
Superintendent

**HAMPTON PLANTATION** — Work on the mansion was completed, inspected and approved the week before Christmas. The exterior looks splendid with a fresh coat of white paint, a slate roof and copper gutters and downspouts. We are now at a standstill until additional funds are appropriated for continued restoration work.

The two-legged fire bugs that invade us at this time of the year have already begun their dirty work, setting four forest fires on our park property last week.



An unexpected honor was bestowed upon Doris and I the Sunday evening after New Year's. Five families from the nearby Germantown community invited us over for a delicious and elegantly served dinner. They wanted to express their appreciation to us for being good neighbors. It was most heartwarming to be accepted and to begin a new year with such good feelings!

My wife and I attended the annual Nurseryman's Seminar held January 16-18 at the Mills Hyatt House in Charleston. PRT registered me for the course, but since my wife works regularly with us in the gardens here at Hampton, we decided to pay her registration fee ourselves. Her knowledge of plants, shrubs, pruning, and gardening has been invaluable to us.

We were invited to attend by personal friends, Mr. Mims from Carolina Floral and Mr. Hasty from Magnolia Gardens. Both of these gentlemen have offered their assistance to us in the event that a nursery is established here at Hampton.

A great love and much interest still exists for Hampton Plantation, ancestral home of the Rutledges. The Plantation, consisting of the mansion, summer kitchen and 274 acres of surrounding woodlands, was purchased by PRT in 1971 from the Rutledge family. We are visited almost daily by people requesting permission to tour the grounds. They find the plantation without any directional signs and have come from all over America, Canada and many foreign countries. Many visitors have used the old guide book published by the Works Project Administration during the Roosevelt administration.

Last month an adult history class of fifteen retirees to our state from all over the country spent about three hours touring Hampton. They are visiting many places in South Carolina to familiarize themselves with their newly adopted state. Many of the "natives" would do well to duplicate their efforts!

Hampton has been the home of descendants of John and Edward Rutledge, both of whom played important roles in the formation of our state and country. Eliza Lucas, promoter of indigo to the colonies, made these hallowed walls her home for a period of time, living here with her daughter, the second mistress of Hampton. Francis Marion headquartered here at times during the Revolutionary War, and was able to escape elusively through the many swamps and woodlands surrounding the mansion. A vital part of our early heritage began here and could, whenever the plantation is restored and opened to the public, be re-emphasized and instilled in all who visit.

Within a three mile radius stand three majestic homes built by some of our earliest statesmen . . . Hampton, Hopsewee (located on the North Santee and home of Harold Lynch, a signer of the Declaration of Independence) and graceful Fairfield Plantation (home of the Pinckneys) located one mile down the South Santee. Last month an heir of this illustrious family returned to Fairfield. The plantation home, after some 40 years of vacancy by the family, is being restored with plans in the near future to open the mansion and grounds to the general public for an admission fee.

These adjoining plantations, coupled with the construction of the new four-lane highway should most definitely produce revenue here at Hampton whenever we are able to

open to the public. When one considers the present low profile of publicity for the Plantation, the interest is remarkable!

Last summer Mrs. Frances Eleanor Rutledge Brandt of Springfield, Ohio, motored here with her husband to visit her ancestral home. She came, often having to use two respiratory machines, but was most interested and proud of the plans for restoration of the Plantation. Since that visit with us, she has written, taped and telephoned information that she has gathered as a genealogist and historian of the Rutledge family for the past 44 years. Although she had never been here previously, she is a sixth generation Rutledge descended from John (the same as Dr. Archibald Rutledge from whom Hampton was purchased). She was highly interested in Hampton and was a most interesting person to meet.

Interest in spring tours of Hampton will continue to grow as public interest mounts. The Hampton Plantation grounds will be included in the Archibald Rutledge Academy Spring Tour, and the Prince George Winyah Episcopal Church of Georgetown will show our grounds on their annual "Low Country Plantation Tour." We have been told during the past two years that many of these tour visitors attend the tour in order to be able to come to Hampton.

We wish each member of the South Carolina State Park "family" a most rewarding personal and business year.

**BUD KLEIN**  
Superintendent

**HUNTING ISLAND STATE PARK** — In spite of frigid cold weather, we have only missed two nights without campers. Our four cabins with fireplaces have been extremely popular.

We have had two snows here at Hunting Island and the snow and white sand mix beautifully. For about a week the saltwater lagoon had a thin sheet of ice covering it. The seagulls had a field day learning how to skate!

The February issue of *Ford Times* included an inviting six-page article on Hunting Island. The article was so inviting that our mail bag has been filled to the brim! Our secretary, Dot Erwin, has been answering 50 written inquiries every day now for a week with no end in sight. Telephone calls come in at all hours, some after midnight! We've heard from people in 35 states as a result of this excellent publicity.

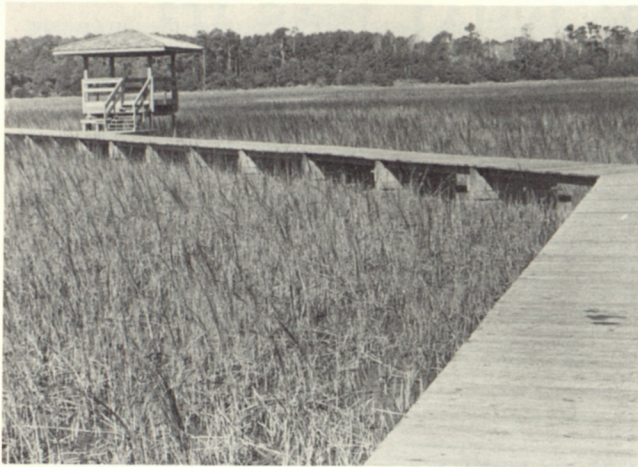
With the summer season just around the corner, we have been getting the Park ready for the sun seekers. We at Hunting Island are looking for the busiest summer ever, and with our outstanding, hard working crew it will be the best!

Come see us!!!!

**TILLMAN A. ERWIN**  
Superintendent

(State park visitors express their appreciation for a pleasant stay in many ways. This excerpt from the Kelly Howard family in Kentucky seems to sum it up concisely . . . "All your hard work year-round makes such a nice place for us to enjoy for a short time!" Ed.)





New marsh boardwalk at Huntington Beach.

**HUNTINGTON BEACH STATE PARK** — This winter has been a very productive and cold winter with temperatures as low as 13 degrees. Needless to say, everyone here at Huntington Beach is looking forward to spring.

With the completion of the new marsh boardwalk, we have done extensive underbrushing around the parking lot and walkway to the boardwalk. We have also cleared underbrush along our roads.

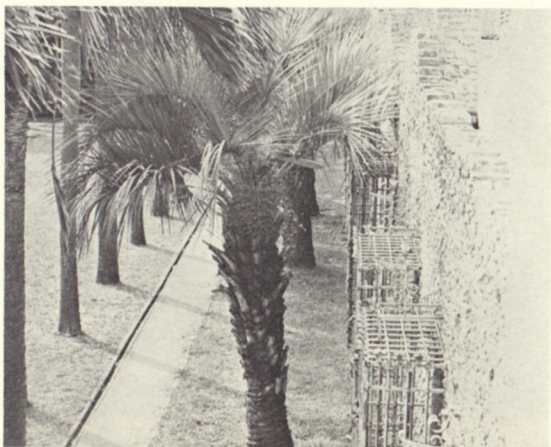
Attendance and camping have been low due to the unusually cold weather, but will soon pick up with the upcoming 16th annual Canadian-American days festival.

We would like to congratulate Van and Linda Stickles on the expectant arrival of their first child in late July.

All of our park families enjoyed a pleasant holiday season. We especially enjoyed our annual Lasagna dinner, compliments of Linda and Van.

During the past summer four families on the park acquired CB base and mobile units. We have done much "Ratchet-Jawing" between ourselves to pass the long winter months. If you are ever in the area, break channel 15. We always have our ears on. Threes and other good numbers. Ya'll come!

GEORGE GORDON  
Ranger



Interior courtyard of Atalaya at Huntington Beach.

**MYRTLE BEACH STATE PARK** — The winter season here at Myrtle Beach has been really slow because of the cold weather we've been having. Many of the southbound campers that we usually have this time of year have been staying up North since the weather is as cool down here as it is there. The fishing has also been slow this season, with the water temperature in the ocean varying from 38 to 40 degrees. This is the coldest I've known it to be in quite a few years. With the water this cold the fish must be dormant because they sure won't bite!

Visitation may be slow, but the lack of visitors has given us a chance to catch up on some badly needed repairs and it seems that for one year we may get all of the dead pines in our campground cut. With any luck at all maybe this cold weather will kill some of the pine beetles that have really taken a toll on our pine tree population.

All this easy work of cutting trees, painting, repairing and building will soon be over! Canadian-American days is just around the corner and Easter is right behind. These two events will just warm us up for the summer season so we are "just before" getting there. In a few more weeks we will all have to tighten our belts, grit our teeth and bear it all.

JOEL M. COPELAND  
Assistant Superintendent

**OLD DORCHESTER** — Ralph Wilbanks led an expedition of divers here in the Ashley River in search for artifacts. The divers were all volunteers, mainly from the Charleston Naval Base and the Wet Shop in Charleston. I've never seen people work together as hard as these people did for only the satisfaction of their findings and then turning them over to the State. Some of the things brought out of the river were a cannon ball, a few musket balls, pewter spoons, pieces of pottery and old china; and fragments of old bottles. Ralph did find part of a bottle with a face on it, but it was apparently a very old and rare item. I thought he was going to jump out of his wet suit when he found it!

Our Interpretive Center is nearly completed. Thanks to Mike Foley and Ray Sigmon, we have on display old documents, letters, deeds, drawings, and pictures of the way Dorchester might have looked during the late 1700s and the early 1800s. Hopefully some of the findings from the dive will also be on display late this spring. Danny Odom and I plan to lay a brick walkway around the Interpretive Center by then. We will also put a picket fence around the foundation, which is the remains of a house that existed during the days when the town of Dorchester was a booming settlement.

That just about wraps things up here at Old Dorchester. If you ever get a chance, drop in and see us and have a cup of coffee.

BAILEY M. MORROW, JR.  
Ranger

**RIVERS BRIDGE** — So far this year we've had a good snow twice and freezing rain once. The freezing rain brought a few broken tree limbs along with it.

I would like to welcome Dwight Smith to the park. He comes to us from Hickory Knob. We hope that Dwight, his wife Thelma, son Tierney and daughter Sigrid are happy here at the park.



# THE GREAT GETAWAY: WHAT WAS IT?

To Superintendent Mike Hendrix and the Table Rock Rangers it was an unusually large crowd of campers and park visitors.

To dozens of children it was popcorn, cartoons, pedal boats, and more.

To their parents and other adults it was a unique opportunity to receive instructions in outdoor recreation activities, crafts, and home decor, and to enjoy a nature walk and sessions in landscaping and folklore.

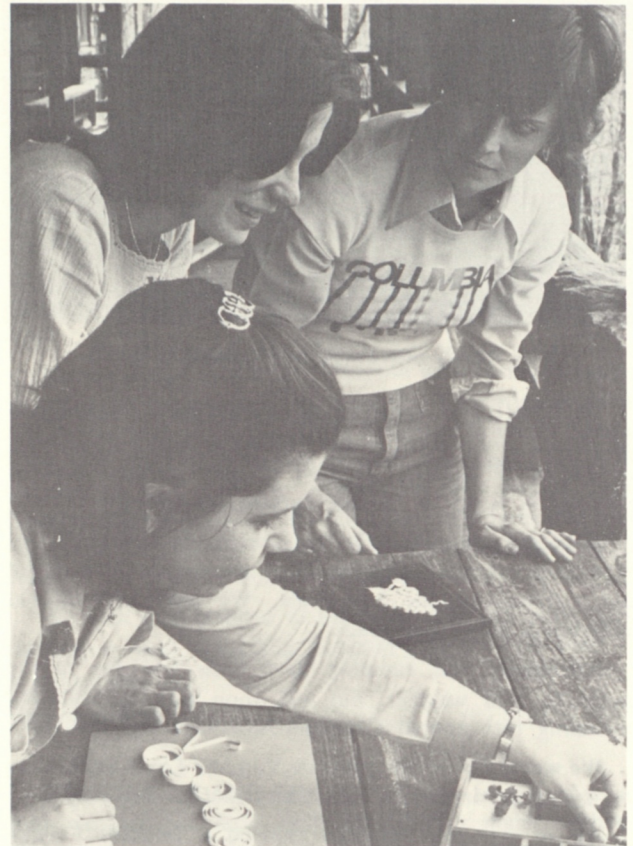
To five student volunteers from Clemson University it was an opportunity to gain practical experience in recreation programming.

To a transplanted Connecticut couple it was "the highlight of our lives."

To members of the Programs Section it was a task of planning and coordinating over twenty separate activities, recruiting instructors, and publicizing the program.

THE GREAT GETAWAY was all of these things and more. It was an opportunity to gain new friends and supporters, to gain new resource personnel for future programs, and to gain widespread publicity for the Division of State Parks that cannot be measured in dollars and cents.

DAN TURPIN  
Chief of Recreation



PAPER QUILLING proves to be thrilling to these ladies.

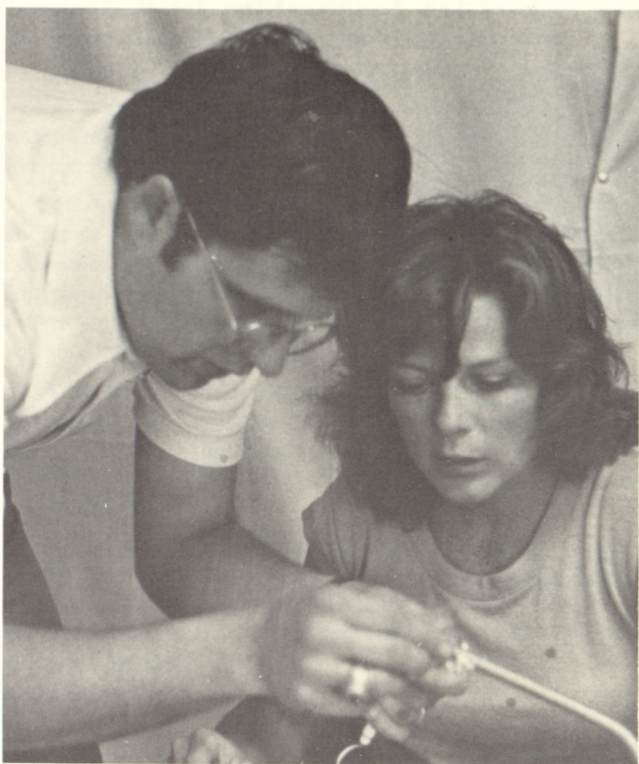


With the help of Oconee Ranger Earl Blakely, this fellow will take home a souvenir from WOOD CRAFTS.



Signs and plaques were among the items in ROUTER CRAFTS.





State Park Recreator Charles Harrison helps an eager student "tie one on" in FLY TYING, and then . . .



. . . demonstrates some of his FLY FISHING techniques.

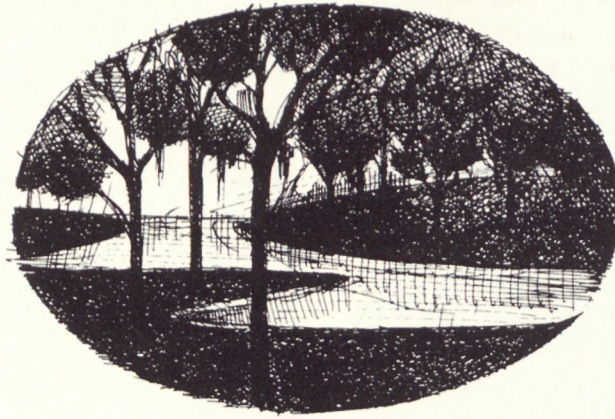


John R. McCravey of Easley shares his knowledge of the area's FOLKLORE AND HISTORY.



These folks are taking advantage of Mother Nature's work in the HOME DECOR class.





## *District II*

### **Aiken**

Superintendent West and Ranger Inabinet have come a long way with their work program this winter despite the weather. They always seem to have everything under control and the park looking good.

### **Barnwell**

Superintendent Ross is recuperating very well after her recent fall which resulted in four broken ribs. This seems to be the only way she will slow down and get some rest! Bea and I are looking forward to the "face lifting" of the Community Building this spring. We feel this will certainly be an asset to Barnwell.

### **Cheraw**

The park crew at Cheraw has been making repairs to the family cabins and the group camps. A contractor put some much needed tile in the Community Building restroom back in November. The park crew has also been planting some shrubs around the park which I feel will help beautify the park now and in years to come.

### **N. R. Goodale**

The men at Goodale have kept busy on boundaries and filling in washed out areas. They just recently completed a grease rack out of scraps which should help on maintenance checks.

### **Lee**

Superintendent Alewine and Ranger Price have been busy fighting water leaks while trying to work on their winter maintenance program. A much needed water filter was placed on the residence water supply recently by Heyward Bouknight, assisted by the park crew.

### **Little Pee Dee**

The work program at Pee Dee is well underway with many of the approved projects completed. If Superintendent Becht and Ranger Jordan do not slow down they will not have a work program next year!

### **Lynches River**

The cross ties finally arrived and have been placed around the dome parking area. I would like to thank Mr. Thomson for the ties and Mr. Jones and crew for the delivery.

### **Poinsett**

Superintendent Taylor and crew have added bedrooms to two of the family cabins. I feel that this will be a much welcomed addition by the families that use these cabins since it will give them added privacy. Other projects have been completed and many more are planned before the summer season.

### **Redcliffe**

The new roof on the mansion has been completed and is looking very good. Ranger Cobb and Jordan have been busy painting some other roofs on the outbuildings and cutting firewood. The installation of a wood heater in the ranger's residence should help cut back on heating oil considerably. This seems to be the trend today because Gene and I made several stops while shopping for a heater to find most dealers sold out of wood heaters.

### **Santee**

Superintendent Duncan and crew have had their share of winter freeze-ups this year. Bathtub traps in the pier rondettes were frozen solid! Larry and crew have been doing a superb job landscaping some of the park buildings with shrubs off the park property. I think that the planting of shrubs is a worthwhile project since it enhances the beauty of the park.

### **Woods Bay**

Superintendent Hargrove has kept busy planting trees at the park entrance and placing cross ties around his parking lot.

HORACE W. CRAIG  
District II Superintendent



**AIKEN STATE PARK** — There is not much you can say about this winter except that it has been cold!

Most of us have had at least one common thing between us this winter and that has been frozen pipes. Some of our water spigots we left running to keep from freezing up and the ice build up around these areas are unbelievable.

Although it has been cold we have managed to complete a couple of projects. One was putting flooring and joists in the concession stand. The same must also be done at the superintendent's residence but I believe we will wait until a little warmer weather comes along. The house is cold enough without having the flooring ripped up!

A lot of painting and tree trimming is on the agenda for this winter. The new sagebrush gray paint that we have now is a different shade from the old paint so to make all buildings etc. to match up in color we probably will paint all the buildings.

A cold winter brings a variety of problems with it. Local people have been "borrowing" the wood that we have cut up and placed in the campground for the campers. At least it isn't going to waste because we certainly haven't had any campers to burn it!

**MARSHALL WEST**  
Superintendent

**CHERAW STATE PARK** — Anyone taking a stroll through the park during January could just as easily have walked across the lake as along the edge. Eureka Lake was frozen from bank to bank! This posed quite a problem for us as some people, not realizing the danger, insisted on playing on the frozen lake. As the weather began to warm and the lake began to thaw along the banks, our problems vanished with the ice.

The severe winter we've had this year has really cut down on the number of visitors at the park. Needless to say, a frozen lake is not very attractive to fishermen in this part of the country. Use has also been down in our camping and cabin areas. We have had moderate use in our picnic areas and our community building is still being rented almost every weekend.

The bitter cold has also affected us as far as maintenance is concerned. We've been busy repairing water lines in the campground and cabin areas which have burst due to freezing. One of our projects this winter has been to underpin our cabins and eliminate this problem. However, with the cold weather we've had it has been impossible to lay block. Landscaping is another project we're working on at Cheraw. In some instances a pick is required to break through the first few inches of frozen ground but we have managed to put out some azaleas and yucca plants and are busy transplanting dogwoods, magnolias and pines. Hopefully your next visit to Cheraw you will not only find the landscape changed but the drinking water as well. We are due to tap into the county water line any day now.

**KEN HANCE**  
Park Management Assistant

**BARNWELL STATE PARK** — Cold weather has been the major topic of conversation these days. There have not been many visitors in the park recently. Reservations for the recreation building are at a standstill because of remodeling work. We look forward to having it completed and back in use.

Thank you for all the get-well cards and telephone calls that I received while I was in the hospital. They were really appreciated. I'll avoid all tree roots from now on . . . broken ribs are no fun!

Come to see us when you can.

**BEA ROSS**  
Superintendent

**GOODALE STATE PARK** — Well this winter has been a cold one, but we've made it through without many problems. The cold weather has kept the park attendance low, but the work goes on for what we hope will be a busy spring and summer. This winter we've built a much-needed grease rack, we planted two thousand pines in areas where they were badly needed, we recut and painted all boundary lines, we re-routed the ranger's driveway and we wired our golf course equipment shed.

I've only been with the Park System since August of '76, but have truly enjoyed my work. We look forward to the warmer weather and the projects of the coming months.

All in all, this winter has been a good one for us here at Goodale, as we hope it has been for all of you.

We wish you all a warm spring and a successful summer.

**AL PRIESTER**  
Ranger

**LITTLE PEE DEE** — The winter of '77 has certainly caused Little Pee Dee to slip into its winter sleep. The cold weather has curbed people's outdoor activities as park use lately has been slower than I've ever seen it. It is now an unusual sight to see cars ride through and even more unusual to see people leave them to stroll through the park. Campers who last year at this time enjoyed the brisk weather now shy away at the prospect of having to endure this much winter outdoors.

Four inches of ice on the park lake offered a few curious visitors a rare sight recently and I'm sure caused our ducks and geese wondered whether they had wintered far enough south this year!

Checking and thawing frozen water lines are becoming an almost daily routine. Ranger Jordan and I have had to spend considerable time lately devising ways to keep pumps and pipes warm and water flowing.

On the brighter side of all this though, spring isn't too far off. The winter can only make the warmer weather that much more of a gift when it does come, and hopefully bring visitors out in increasing numbers. For the present, it brings us a change in routine and something to look forward to in the near future.

**KURT K. BECHT**  
Superintendent



**LEE STATE PARK** — It has been very cold here at Lee State Park. The weather has been the coldest I have ever witnessed. We have had a number of pipes to freeze, even inside the Community Building. Thankfully, we have been able to keep water in the building except for one group, the 4-H Horse Club. We had to haul water to them so they could cook and have coffee. They were very understanding about the problem.

Our winter work program still goes on, regardless of the weather. We have completed some of our project proposals such as a new well house at the Superintendent's house. Remodeling is being done to the bathhouse at the swimming lake. It won't be long until summer will be here again! Replacing of rotten boards throughout the park has taken a lot of our time, but we're glad to get the buildings back into good shape.

Camping has been real slow because of the cold weather. We hope that camping will pick up when the weather warms up. People will then be traveling and getting out to enjoy our parks more.

I have a CB radio that I use in my park truck and car. It comes in handy because we are so close to Interstate 20. We stay on Channel 19 with the truckers and traveling public. Campers often break in for information about the park, so I break back and try to get them to come to the park. It has certainly helped our business!

**BILL ALEWINE**  
Superintendent

**POINSETT STATE PARK** — Our winter visitation has dropped considerably, but we are still getting hikers and cabin users. Camping clubs have been keeping the camping area reasonably full, considering the extremely cold weather.

We have relocated the chain-link fence in order to enlarge the swimming area. We've also completed a bathroom in the lifeguard quarters and have converted the porches of cabins 1 and 2 to bedrooms.

I hope that everyone has a safe spring and summer season. We at Poinsett are doing fine and hope to see some of you in the near future.

**ROY ATKINSON**  
Ranger

**REDCLIFFE STATE PARK** — The weather is still very cold here so things have been going pretty slow this winter. We have been busy trying to keep the ranger and his wife supplied with plenty of wood. It has been a job trying to keep them warm! The barn looks much better since we put new posts under it. It's a job that we're glad is finished. We haven't done much work in the woods this winter except for recutting the fire lanes.

One of the ceilings in the mansion fell earlier this winter. It has been replaced and looks like new. The new roof on the mansion looks great! Come and see it for yourself! Much of our time is now spent getting ready for the summer, getting the tractors in good shape and so forth. I hope all of you have a very prosperous summer.

**GENE COBB**  
Superintendent

**SANTEE STATE PARK** — Santee, like all of South Carolina has had its share of cold, cold weather. We've seen a lot of bait fish that have frozen on the edge of Lake Marion. Others have been slowed down to the point that they are easy prey for the larger fish. This fact along with the cold winds has kept most fishermen off the lake this winter.

On the bright side, most all fishermen and landing operators are looking for an excellent spawning season this spring. Unlike the past two winters, the water level has remained high throughout the winter. Low water in the past deprived the fish of some of the finest spawning areas. We at the park will welcome the spring with open arms!

The rondettes have had quite a bit of activity this winter. We have been pleased to see groups such as the State Farm Insurance Co., Santee Bassmaster Association, and several state agencies returning each year to use the Vacation Village.

We welcome William Fogle to the rondette office. William moved to the office when Gayle Felkel resigned as rondette clerk. We are also happy to have Henry Holt join Bobbie Hatfield as our two Tackle Shop operators. We have baited the Tackle Shop pier with cedar trees and hope that it will be a crappie haven this spring.

I always like to take an opportunity to thank all my employees for the cooperation they give in keeping the park running smoothly. Most everyone has made use of some annual leave time in the past months. However, most of us at Santee would probably be considered homebodies, since only a few of us ventured out of the state this winter. Elijah Gillens and his family made a trip to Florida, Robert Taylor and Ruth made one camping trip to the Smokies, Charlie Hatfield and family made a trip to Disney World, as did yours truly and clan.

In closing I would like all of you to visit with us at Santee. We wish everyone a prosperous year in 1977.

**LARRY DUNCAN**  
Superintendent



Persons attending a Playground Workshop at Santee State Park in February inspect a manufacturer's exhibit.



**LYNCHES RIVER** — Our attendance has been good this winter, although few visitors have been brave enough to venture from their cars. We had eleven Christmas parties in the Community Building, and, judging by the reservations already received, this facility will receive a lot of use this coming year.

In between freezes we have transplanted numerous trees and shrubs throughout the park and have placed cross ties around the parking lot. This has greatly improved the looks of the area and will help keep traffic in the roads and off the grass. We are also constructing an additional parking lot for the Community Building which will double the amount of parking spaces now available.

Ranger Rodger Vissage has recently attended the General Maintenance Course at Columbia and is now anxiously waiting for something to break down so he can try out his newly acquired skills!

ED NESBIT  
Superintendent

**WOODS BAY STATE PARK** — The cold weather has been a constant companion here at the Bay, but we haven't had any frozen waterpipes. The millpond and part of the bay were frozen to a thickness that could support a man's weight. We even had snow on the ground, but it lasted only four hours!

The new restrooms are in use and are certainly a welcome addition to the park. I have been spending most of my time transplanting trees. The eighty trees that I have transplanted should lend great beauty to our park now and in the future.

We will have a special event, the "Woods Bay Weekend," on April 31-May 1. Included on the program will be nature walks, canoe trips into the bay, tent camping and lectures about surrounding terrain and wildlife here in the area. I am looking forward to meeting these people and making new friends.

GEORGE L. HARGROVE  
Superintendent

## REDCLIFFE AND HAMPTON PLANTATIONS OPEN FOR SUNDAY TOURS

Redcliffe Plantation, former home of Governor James H. Hammond and Hampton Plantation, ancestral home of the Rutledge family, opened for guided public tours on Sundays only beginning April 3. The decision was announced by PRT Executive Director Fred P. Brinkman following a recent staff meeting. "These properties are being opened in response to increasing public interest in spite of a lack of necessary public facilities," Brinkman emphasized.

Both properties had been open to the public in conjunction with historic home tours in the Beech Island-Aiken and Georgetown areas, but had not been open to the public on a regular basis. "Funds are not available at this time to provide first-class restrooms and other supporting facilities," Brinkman added, "but tremendous public interest was the overriding factor in our decision to open these properties on a limited basis."

The Redcliffe house was built in the 1950's by Governor James H. Hammond. His grandson, the late John Shaw Billings, donated the property to the State in 1973 for use as a state park. This manor house and 351-acre plantation grounds are located in Aiken County near Beech Island. Visitors will be able to take guided tours of the furnished interior.

Hampton Plantation, including the Rutledge house and 310 acres, is located in Charleston County near McClellanville. It is included in the Historic American Buildings Survey and the National Register of Historic Places. The frame, clapboard house was originally a small four-room structure built by the Huguenot Noah Serre in 1735. George Washington was a guest at Hampton and Francis Marion was a frequent visitor. The surrounding property includes massive oaks, one in front of the mansion reputed to be some 800 years old.

The exterior of Hampton Plantation has been brightened recently with a new slate roof, gutters and a fresh coat of paint. The unfurnished interior has been stripped of old plaster awaiting further restoration and will be partially accessible to the public.

Sunday tours of Redcliffe and Hampton Plantations will be offered from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at a cost of 50¢ for adults and 25¢ for children. No other facilities such as picnicking, camping and outdoor play areas are available to the public at these locations, but limited restroom facilities will be provided. Organized groups may tour these parks on Fridays by making advance reservations.



# BEHIND THE VOICES . . .

"Good morning . . . State Parks Division . . ."  
Most of you have talked with our secretaries here in the Columbia office and at the Service and Supply Center, but may not have had the opportunity to meet them. Beginning with this issue we are going to acquaint you with our very able assistants . . . our secretaries!



## LORINE DAVIS

*Staff Assistant, Columbia Office*

Mrs. Davis is a native of Allendale County, where her father was County Magistrate and farmer. She attended local schools and graduated from Allendale High School, then attended Columbia Commercial College. After graduating from Columbia Commercial, she went to work for the State Board of Health, Crippled Children's Division, as a secretary. Five years later she became a secretary at the State Forestry Commission. During this period of time she was secretary to state park directors C. West Jaycocks and E. R. Vreeland.

She came to PRT when it was formed in 1967, and since that time has been staff assistant to state park directors Don McSween and Ray Sisk. During her employment with the State Board of Health, Lorine had married George Davis of Columbia. He is a World War II veteran and is employed with the federal government, working in the pharmacy at the Veterans Hospital.

The Davises have two sons . . . Bruce and Chris. Bruce graduated from Airport High School, then attended a truck driving course at Greenville TEC. He is a round driver for the City of Columbia Fire Department. He also does some truck driving on his days off. Chris is a sophomore at Airport High School, where he is quarterback of the Junior Varsity football team and a member of the wrestling team. (This team has been undefeated and state champions for the past two years! Ed.)

George and Lorine are avid campers, although they have not camped as much in the past couple of years as they would like to.

They are members of a local camping club, the Palmett Sandlappers, and the National Campers and Hikers Association. Chauffering their youngsters to and from various activities, and attending high school football games and wrestling matches have occupied much of their time. Participation in various fraternal orders has become a great source of enjoyment for both George and Lorine. George is a 32nd degree Mason and Shriner, where he is Captain of the Provost Guard Unit. Lorine is a member of the Eastern Star, Arabi Temple (Daughter of the Nile) and the Jamil Provost Guard Auxiliary. They play bingo regularly and attend dances and many other activities. "We really love to dance," Mrs. Davis said, "and we enjoy being a part of fund-raising activities for the Crippled Children's Hospital in Greenville and other worthy causes."

The Davises take a camping trip to Florida every year, but have not ventured beyond the southeastern section of the country. They hope to take a chartered trip to Hawaii one of these first years if they can get their vacation schedules worked out! Retirement is just three years away for George, who has accumulated the necessary time but has not reached the minimum retirement age. "We plan to see the country with our van and travel trailer," Lorine remarked.

George is a CB'er (with the handle of Gorgeous George!), and a first class house and yard handyman, who has, among other things, added a room to their home. Lorine enjoys cooking and working in the yard.

Lorine proudly admits that South Carolina state parks and people are her first love. She and George have visited and camped in most of them, and many other visits are planned in the future. "You must know that I love our state parks," she exclaimed, "for they have been my life!"





### **BARBARA RILEY**

*Secretary, Assistant State Parks Director and Operations Section*

Barbara hails from Sumter, where she spent her early years learning how to survive in spite of two brothers! Her father spent thirty years in the Navy, but passed away one year after he retired. The family moved to Columbia when Barbara was in the sixth grade, so she continued her education here in the capital city and graduated from Columbia High School.

Her first job was with Vogue Press, where she worked as a secretary for two years. The next six years were spent at the State Board of Health, where she was a secretary in the Department of Finance. Parenthood called and she answered, quitting to have the first of four children and spent the next twenty years performing all the motherly duties that mothers perform!

This would be a good time to quickly backtrack and mention that Barbara had previously married Cecil Riley from Ridgeville (a small town near Summerville). Cecil is engaged in the real estate and construction business. The "four little jewels" (as she proudly referred to her children) are Larry, in the Navy and serving aboard the U.S.S. America; Linda, employed with Agri-Chemical in Columbia; Robin, a junior at Airport High School and Phil, a 7th grader at Busbee Middle School.

Twenty years passed by, the children were grown (or thought that they were!) so Barbara decided that it was time to rejoin the work force. She joined our state park family in November 1974 and has lived happily ever since!

Her hobbies are bridge, bowling and spectator sports, and you can bet that she'll read the sports pages of the newspaper first! She is a rabid Carolina fan and attends as many football games as her time and budget will allow. Yes, she certainly did attend the recent Elvis Presley concert, and she'll be right there the next time he comes to town! "I love music," Barbara says, "but all I can play is the radio and the stereo!"

The Rileys have a pontoon boat at Lake Murray, where the family can be found almost every weekend with their fishing poles dangling in the water! Although not widely traveled, the Rileys have been to Disney World and plan to make a return trip one of these first years! As with most families, much of their time is spent running errands and delivering youngsters to and from various activities. It may not make for exciting reading, but it's all part of this business of raising a family!

Two other trips that are on the Riley agenda are to California and New England. "It's difficult to get all of our schedules arranged so that we can take a long trip together," Barbara said.

The Rileys attend Holland Avenue Baptist Church, where Barbara has sung in the choir and been active in many of its organizations. One of her deepest affections is for her fellow man (and woman!) "I truly love people," she said, and anyone that knows her can attest to that fact!

### **ENERGY SAVER!**

Fireplaces can be fun, but they really do waste heat. Most of the heat the fire provides, and large amounts of air already warmed by your home's heating system are drawn up the chimney. Cut down losses by closing the damper when your fireplace is not in use and by not operating it during extremely cold weather.

**WILLIAM C. LUCAS**  
Chief of Construction





## *District III*

During the winter of 1976-77, snow fell and temperatures dropped below zero, water pipes froze twelve inches underground and through eight inch concrete block walls. Pressure relief valves under well caps froze along with inlet and outlet pipes on heavily insulated water storage tanks. Beautiful snow scenes in the mountains were a dime a dozen, lakes were solid sheets of ice, in many instances covered with snow. Park operations and maintenance work were almost at a standstill for several days. Several weeks later all busted pipes have now been repaired, underground lines have thawed and things have returned to normal — but that's the way it was, and that's how it will be about once every ten or fifteen years.

Superintendent Jim Ivey resigned at Sadlers Creek State Park in January to take a job with the Orkin Exterminating Co., Anderson, S. C. Jim has been replaced by Frank Baughman, who was promoted from Superintendent I to Superintendent II and transferred from Hamilton Branch to Sadlers Creek. Our best wishes to Jim in his new work.

Work on the new Olympic pool and bathhouse at Croft is now underway with completion of this facility scheduled during the latter part of this year.

The old recreation building at Oconee has been partitioned into two sections. One will be used as a dining room to double the present dining area, while the other half will soon be developed into a park museum.

With the recent acquisition and renovation of cabins 14 and 15, Table Rock now has a total of 14 rental units. Pleasant Ridge has 3 rental cabins and Oconee has 19.

ROBERT G. JONES  
District III Superintendent

**CROFT STATE PARK** — Yes, Virginia there will be a swimming pool at Croft! Many inquiries are coming into the park asking about construction of the pool. Due to the adverse weather we have been delayed about a month, and this probably will cause the pool's opening to be delayed until next season. The A. R. Wood Company has been awarded the contract.

The Sky Knights Club will host a two day state meet for model airplane competition in mid-summer. When dates are firm you will be advised. The air field has received considerable use, so it was a project well worthwhile.

The horse shows are being scheduled and it looks as if we'll have a full season for that activity also. Spectators especially enjoy the shows.

Our picnic shelters are being reserved by many of the same families from previous years. They have shown faith that spring will truly come and summer too! Fishing should be excellent after the spring thaw. Our fishermen are anxious to start casting and catching once again. Mr. C. C. May, Sr. doesn't let cold weather stop him and for his persistence he was rewarded with an 8 lb. 3 oz. bass just before Christmas!

Many families have called concerning firewood gathering so the winter has been felt by all. We just hope this extreme cold will cause fewer insects for our campers and picnickers.

We extend good wishes to each park family and wish for you good health and a very busy season.

RAY E. HAYES  
Superintendent

**KEOWEE-TOXAWAY STATE PARK** — Anybody for cold weather? If you are, just come to Keowee! From the middle of December until the 24th of January we never got above freezing. The low for the period was  $-6^{\circ}$ . The days are starting to get warmer now but the nights drop into the teens and twenties.

We recorded several snow falls, the last of which was in excess of 6 inches. The Park was truly a winter wonderland! It has been more than three weeks since the last snow and there is still some left.

Visitation has been off but with warmer days people are beginning to get out after being cooped up for the last few months.

We have had interesting visitors to the Interpretive Center from many different countries. The most distant from Nigeria and the closest was from Canada.

If you're up our way, stop in. We would like to see you all.

JOHN RHODES  
Superintendent

**OCONEE STATE PARK** — At this writing we are in the midst of the coldest weather that I have witnessed during my 10 years at Oconee. The coldest temperature was  $-2$  degrees with about 5 inches of snow and sleet. I hope that by the time this report is out we are in the 70's!

Two big programs this spring will be on April 16th when we will sponsor an Arts and Crafts program during the day and a Bluegrass concert that night. Then on May 14th we will have the Spring Hoe-down and Clogging Festival. I believe these programs will draw large crowds because of the park's location and the excellent promotion they are getting from our Program Section in the Columbia office. My special thanks go out to Dan Turpin and Charles Harrison for their assistance.

BOB COTHRAN  
Superintendent





The "winter work program" at Oconee included some unusual job assignments this year!

**PARIS MOUNTAIN STATE PARK** — Old man winter hit us pretty hard here this year, with temperatures going down to zero a couple of days in a row and not getting much higher than about 20 degrees during the day. Our lake froze over and we've been having trouble keeping people from walking on it and maybe falling thru. Some people want to learn the hard way!

We got back to work on Camp Buckhorn again, and hope to finish it up this year. The snow kept us from getting to the other side of the mountain for five weeks in a row. Everyone here at Paris Mountain hopes that by the time you read this our winter will be over and everyone can get ready for our summer season.

ROGER MINORS  
Ranger

**PLEASANT RIDGE STATE PARK** — There's not much we can say about progress we have made towards getting ready for the spring and summer here as the weather has been directing our activities. We have spent half of our time trying to stand up on the snow and ice and the other half trying to keep warm. In some shaded areas we have some snow and ice that has been around for about five weeks.

Despite our efforts to protect them, we did have some frozen and busted pipes. Although the pipes in the new cabins were wrapped with heat strips they still froze and busted. Even with these problems the cabins have been in continuous use except during the time the pipes were frozen.

We (mostly Stanley) have done some work on the nature trail, and we hope to have it completed in the very near future. I would like to thank District Superintendent Bob Jones for helping to get the foot bridge laid across the stream.

LEROY L. SMITH  
Superintendent

**ROSE HILL STATE PARK** — These cold winter days are causing everyone to build fires in their fireplaces to help lower the consumption of natural gas. I'm glad that we have a fireplace, for we sure do enjoy toasting our toes by a good warm fire. We are not having as many visitors as usual.

There's a new member added to our family. Our daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Wilburn, are the proud parents of a daughter. She weighed in at 7 lbs. 3 oz. and was 20 inches long. Butch, our youngest son, has joined the Navy and is in San Diego, Calif. He will be in boot camp for the next nine weeks.

FRED H. BELK  
Superintendent



Mrs. T. D. Wilburn, Regent of the Fairforest Chapter, DAR, presented to Rose Hill Superintendent Fred Belk the candlesticks and caster set of Mrs. W. H. Gist which had been re-silvered with funds from the Donation Box at Rose Hill. (Photo courtesy the Union Daily Times)

**SADLERS CREEK STATE PARK** — During the month that I've been at Sadlers Creek, our business has been extremely slow because of the extremely cold weather which we have had. Fishing has begun to pick up some in the last week or so since some of this cold weather has begun to break. Hopefully the pollution question in Lake Hartwell will be cleared up in the near future and won't have any affect on our business this spring and summer.

Ranger Herbert Jones is back at work after being out about two months after surgery, and is feeling much better.

The Carolina Cycle Riders of Anderson sponsored an enduro at the park in November. According to all reports it was a huge success.

We are now in the process of getting things ready for the upcoming season, which we all hope will be a record one at Sadlers Creek.

FRANK BAUGHMAN  
Superintendent



**TABLE ROCK STATE PARK** — Snow! We have had nearly a foot so far this winter, and I don't think we'll ever thaw out. The lake has had a sheet of ice covering it most of the month, however, the snow is not keeping the cabin users away, thank goodness! Most of them have come to Table Rock specifically to see the snow and play in it.

The cabins haven't posed any maintenance problems this winter except for frozen water pipes. Maybe spring will be here soon!

The trails have been steadily used despite the cold weather. There was a group of three girls, one boy, and a teacher from a Greenville school lost on the mountain in December for thirty hours. Everyone, including the Pickens County Rescue Squad, Pickens County Sheriff's Department, Wildlife Department and the State Forest Rangers will all agree that it was the longest weekend ever. Everyone went without sleep the entire time. The group was finally found, exhausted but safe.

I hope that everyone has a safe and warm winter, remember to *conserve*!

**MIKE HENDRIX**  
Superintendent

## Do You Know Your Blood Type?

If you don't know what your blood type is, you have plenty of company. I & E Officer Dana Sawyer told me recently that most park personnel seem to be in the dark about their blood type, as the question is asked when PRT identification cards are prepared.

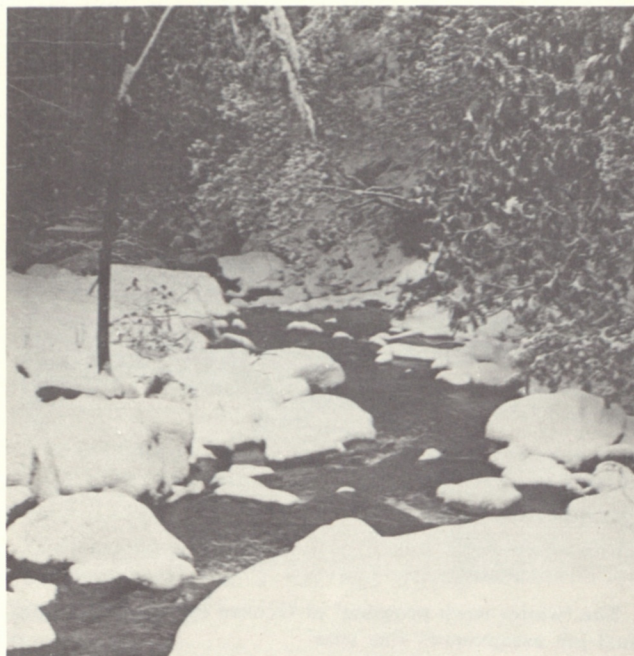
Everyone . . . and I do mean EVERYONE . . . should know what type blood they have. Valuable minutes can be saved . . . and possibly a life . . . when a transfusion is necessary at the scene of an accident and the blood type is known.

There are several ways to find out what type blood you have running through your veins. Your family doctor can tell you, you can find out from your county health office or you can give blood at a nearby Red Cross office and find out at the same time! The "operation" is painless and will take only a few minutes of your time.

This should not be put off . . . resolve to take care of this important matter immediately! A few minutes of your time may save your life, or the life of a member of your family!

What type blood do you have? I hope that you will not shake your head from side to side the next time you're asked this question!

**EDMOND BROWN**  
Safety and Job Training Officer  
(Blood Type: A Positive)



Carrick's Creek at Table Rock. The snows of winter are soon forgotten with the arrival of spring!

## PEAK FLOWERING DATES DETERMINED

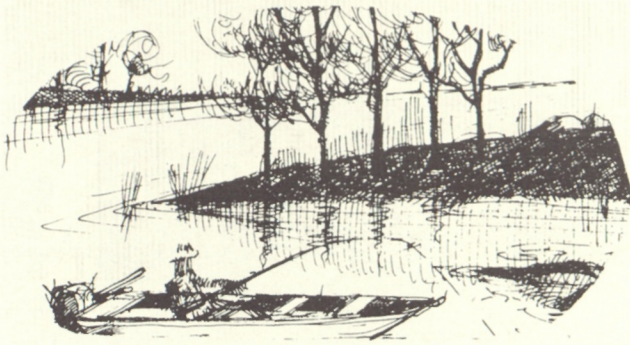
A spokesman for the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism announced recently that the unusually cold winter will have no appreciable effect on the flowering dates of South Carolina's wildflowers.

John Reid Clonts, naturalist with the State Parks Division, further explained that wildflowers characteristically bloom later than ornamentals and Coastal Plain wildflowers should reach their peak around April 15th. Piedmont wildflowers should follow on or about the 25th.

The intensity of the winter will show very little influence on blooming periods, but the length of the cold weather has slowed flowering in most ornamentals. With the continuation of warmer more seasonal temperatures, the month of April should prove to be unusually beautiful.

Wildflower field trips to twenty publicly and privately protected natural areas are scheduled for the weekends of April 16-17 and April 23-24. Wildflower enthusiasts and casual nature lovers will be able to observe the beauty of South Carolina's abundant spring wildflowers. Additional information about "Wildflower Weekends" may be obtained by contacting the Division of State Parks, 1205 Pendelton Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.





## *District IV*

Cold has been the villain in District IV this quarter, bringing unexpected work in addition to planned projects. Hickory Knob's water treatment plant froze as well as many pipes throughout the parks. Work, however, still continues toward preparation for the 1977 season.

The Kings Mountain staff has been working hard on Camp Cherokee. The mess hall has been insulated, new siding installed, new electrical wiring put in, and the ceiling enclosed. The Living Farm residence is progressing with the help of the maintenance and construction crews. Insulation and paneling have been put on and the plumbing fixtures are being installed.

Chester's Superintendent Ted Williams has been busy repairing damage to the community building caused by moisture problems. In addition, insulation has been put into the ranger residence.

Andrew Jackson's staff will soon be roofing the Superintendent's residence and painting several park buildings. Other parks in District IV will have painting and roofing projects to do as the weather starts warming up.

Personnel changes have resulted in Superintendent Frank Baughman and family at Hamilton Branch, moving to Sadlers Creek. I would like to extend congratulations to him and welcome J. W. Moore of Hunting Island to District IV. Mr. and Mrs. Moore and family moved to Hamilton Branch in February when J. W. accepted the Superintendent's responsibilities.

C. F. PARKMAN  
District IV Superintendent

**ANDREW JACKSON STATE PARK** — Things have really been slow here at Andrew Jackson this winter. It seems like five days a week the sky is clear and it's bitter cold but when the weekend rolls around it warms up and usually rains. Park attendance has dropped greatly as a result of this kind of weather. However, the weather hasn't slowed our winter work program. It's well on schedule and the park is prepared for the coming summer season. We hope everyone who has been hibernating this winter will come out and enjoy the facilities at the park.

BILL BOYCE  
Ranger

**GLACIER CREEK STATE PARK** — If you think that PRT has purchased a new park, you're wrong! We at Baker Creek have changed the park's name for the months of January and February. The dictionary defines "glacier" as "a frozen body of water," which, in this case, is the Little River section of the Clark Hill Reservoir (not to mention all of the other water, land and people around these parts). The park will get its old name back as soon as the spring thaw arrives!

Don Holloway of nearby Hickory Knob has his own method of dealing with the cold weather. Put all of the clothes that you own in a pile. Wear half of them one day and the other half the next day! He has been wearing so many layers of clothes that he can't bend over, but he says that he's warm!

We are getting things ready for spring and are looking forward to a real hot fishing season (speaking of crowds, not the temperature). We hope that all of the fishermen (and women) break out their \$8,000 bass boats and come to Baker Creek to do some fishing before the busy season arrives.

We would like to wish John Mixon the best of luck at Kings Mountain. John transferred in January (via dogsled, I believe!)

The energy crunch has hit everyone this past winter season. In spite of the 65-degree setting of our thermostat, I discovered one cold, frosty morning that we were out of gas. Thanks to Wayne Timms and Ted Barbie, my wife and I and the baby spent the four days in a WARM cabin instead of a RUNNING car!

CHEVIS WALD  
Ranger

**CHESTER STATE PARK** — The "winter of '77" will be long remembered for its cold temperatures and frozen precipitation. While Chester didn't get significant accumulations, we did have enough of the frozen stuff and cold temperatures to make outdoor work uncomfortable — mighty uncomfortable when you're putting in insulation on the outside of the ranger's residence, rebuilding an outside wall of the recreation building, and roofing a restroom! Temperatures that are cold enough to freeze a 160-acre lake from end to end and side to side can have a devastating effect on water lines!

The extremely bitter winter didn't keep all the campers away and campground use is up from last year. Among the winter campers was a man who had a van of live monkeys and bears. (He was the only camper that weekend!) With turkey season just around the corner, camping should begin to pick up considerably.

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Ranger Bill Gillain, wife Brenda and their children Eloise and Shawn. I'm sure they'll be missed in Greenwood, but we hope they'll soon feel at home at Chester.

The quiet months of winter have passed quickly. It's hard to imagine why visitors prefer the heat, mosquitoes and crowds to the quiet beauty of the crisp air, frozen lakes, and deserted spaces of winter. I guess winter was made so that park personnel could enjoy their parks. There's still an open invitation for you to visit us at Chester.

TED WILLIAMS  
Superintendent



**DREHER ISLAND STATE PARK** — Winter progresses, and the first signs of spring begin to appear with a promise of relief for all from extreme cold and unkind elements of winter. We all feel relief and anticipation of the new season and what it will bring.

At present, fishing and other outdoor activities here on the island are practically at a standstill. Although there are some exceptions, most of the fishermen who use our boat ramps are, as I am, a little reluctant to fish, when you have to break the ice to launch a boat. Hopefully, by the time this report is published and distributed, I will have some fish already in the freezer.

Most of all, we are looking forward, anxiously, to the start of development here on the island. I receive inquiries almost daily from campers, fishermen, and other interested individuals who have followed the long history of Dreher Island in anticipation that some day it will be completed.

In closing, we at Dreher Island would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone traveling this way.

**ROBERT F. PARRISH**  
Superintendent

**GREENWOOD STATE PARK** — Cold! Cold! Cold! That's the way it has been at Greenwood all winter. It has really hampered our winter work program, which is comprised mostly of outside work.

Activity has been very slow at the park because of the cold weather, and we have had several camping clubs cancel their trips. Fishing has been at a standstill especially since the lake has frozen over several times!

We are anticipating a good year at Greenwood and are beginning to tune up for the onslaught, which should begin as soon as the weather warms.

There is a lot to be done yet in getting ready for summer, but if any of you are in the area, stop by and see us. We can always take a little time to chat. We need the break anyway!

**JOE L. HAMBRIGHT, JR.**  
Superintendent

**HAMILTON BRANCH STATE PARK** — My family and I appreciate the warm welcome we've received here at Hamilton Branch. People seem to be enjoying the fishing, but they don't seem to be catching very many. We're hoping that will soon change.

We're looking forward to a big turnout during the week of the Masters. It seems as though everyone loves golf these days, including me!

I'd like to thank District Superintendent Freddie Parkman and Rangers Charles Sloan and Chris Hanson for the assistance they have given me in my newly acquired position.

Stop in and see us if you're ever in our area.

**J. W. MOORE**  
Superintendent

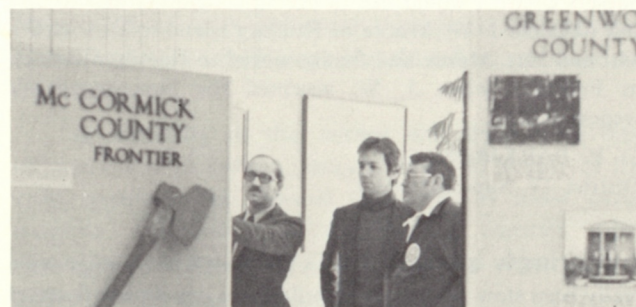


Some 150 persons attended the Hickory Knob Bass Fishing Seminar held at the park March 4-6.

**HICKORY KNOB STATE RESORT PARK** — Visitation has been way down during the past two months, but we've had a record number of groups using our facilities this week. They are as follows: ETV, Milliken Industries, Institute of Welfare, Shannon Methodist Church, Hill Baptist Church, and Community Planning Council. Despite the economic setback and the closing of numerous industries, reservations are pouring in and it looks as if we're starting out for a record year.

Fishing has been slow due to adverse weather conditions. The few days of sunshine brought out a few tennis players, however, we've seen "ole man Sol" very little during the past six weeks. Freezing weather has played havoc with our water lines and even the 4 inch lines at the water treatment plant. The weatherman calls for severe cold weather for the weekend. Hopefully our weather will clear and we can polish up for our coming season.

**TED BARBIE**  
Superintendent



B. F. Edmonds, Charles Morgan and Hickory Knob Superintendent Ted Barbie admire the new exhibits on display in the park lodge. Mr. Edmonds, a Resident Engineer with the State Highway Department, is also Chairman of the McCormick County Historical Commission. A photographer in his spare time, Mr. Edmonds printed and furnished most of the photographs depicting the early days of McCormick County. Mr. Morgan is Editor of the *McCormick Messenger*. The exhibits were planned and constructed by the State Park Division's History Section.



**KINGS MOUNTAIN STATE PARK** — This has really been a hard winter at Kings Mountain! The new winter fad is to grab blow torches and unthaw water pipes. We have had to replace one water line and numerous faucets. I hope that when we cut on the water systems for spring and summer use, we don't have one big water sprinkler.

Work on our two major projects continues. During the spells of bad weather we were busy rooting cuttings and potting plants. Due to the extremely cold weather we had to add another heater in the greenhouse. The work on the farm has slowed down some but the maintenance crew is completing the ranger's residence. This log house will be one of the nicer residences in the system when it is finished.

We would like to welcome our new ranger, John Mixon. He transferred to Kings Mountain from Baker Creek State Park. We are sure that John will be an asset to the park staff.

Spring is just around the corner at Kings Mountain and our personnel are looking forward to a booming vacation season. South Carolina Boy Scouts held their annual Jamboree Campout at Kings Mountain March 25-27. Some three hundred scouts took part in this program.

The Dogwood Squares Camping Club from Charlotte will hold their annual Campout here April 16, with a big dance scheduled during the weekend. We are moving right along with our renovation program at Camp Cherokee. We have installed new wiring, insulation, new siding and a new ceiling in the mess hall, and new windows and weatherboarding in two cabins in the "A" unit. Organizations using our group camp facilities this summer should be well pleased with the face-lifting.

LEW CATO  
Assistant Superintendent

**LANDSFORD CANAL STATE PARK** — It's been so cold at Landsford Canal that I've kept the fire in the fireplace going day and night, and I still had to buy some insulated underwear!

This is the first time in my life that I've owned a pair of insulated underwear, and I've been so cold at times I wished I had on two pair!

It's been snowing all around Landsford, but today we got our first snow. We've been getting ice and sleet, but the snowflakes were falling so heavy today the visibility was near zero. The beauty of it makes the mess when it starts to melt all worthwhile. Our family couldn't resist the temptation to go walking late this afternoon in the snow and we ended our walk with a snowball battle! (I lost!)

The bad weather has certainly slowed down the progress on our winter work program at Landsford. I only hope that none of the parks get hit with an ice storm. Everytime it starts to sleet my memory takes me back to about eight years ago and Cheraw State Park. I'm quite sure Craig and many others recall the damage left by the ice storm that year. We were without electricity, water and telephones for about two weeks. Let's keep counting our blessings! I'd like to extend an

invitation to each of you to stop by when you're in the vicinity of Landsford.

MARSHALL L. BRUCKE  
Superintendent

**SESQUICENTENNIAL STATE PARK** — Greetings everybody — We hope you all had a very nice time over Christmas and the New Year. I also hope there is an Eskimo somewhere up your family tree, so you can enjoy the weather we've been having! It has delayed completion of some of our outdoor projects and created a few problems we don't usually have, but we are lucky to be in Dixie instead of up "Nawth".

We lowered the level of our lake in December and it has been frozen over many times since then. The ice was thick enough for skating a couple of weeks ago and Gus Krajcik was one of those who put on the blades and enjoyed the natural outdoor rink. I'm glad most of our ice has been on our lake and not in our trees! The freezing weather has caused several leaks in our water system where we had to leave water on for normal operations.

Other projects completed recently include the repair of shower walls in the Superintendent's residence, the installation of new gates into the park from Alpine Road and the repair of the chlorination control unit on the wastewater plant at the amphitheatre. We have received materials for putting new roofing on one restroom and the concession stand, repairing rain gutters on two buildings and painting four others. When the weatherman smiles again our work is laid out for us.

On Nov. 24th we had a fire bug in the park. In a two hour period we had eight separate fires. Whoever it was crossed the park from south to north leaving a trail of small fires. (Probably one of Sherman's descendants going home!) Fortunately, the fires were spotted early and extinguished before getting too hot. Small patches less than an acre in size were burned, so we must have been just behind the culprit. Vandals struck again! The Log House had a window sash demolished, but no other damage noted.

I love to observe the wildlife in the park so I maintain a bird feeder which attracts squirrels and opossum as well as birds. I also have three foxes picking up food scraps each night from our backyard. This week we had more animals in the camping area. A couple who are entertaining school children in this area registered overnight. They had a black bear, chimp, monkeys, etc. The chimp shook hands with Gus and tried to climb up on his head. Ranger "Rod" Corley's daughter, Melissa, now wants a bear. Just like Goldilocks, she says the bear could sleep in her bed!

The Sesqui Log House is now a studio and art gallery, operated by John Karl Madcharo. Paintings, custom frames and art lessons will be offered, and different craftsmen will be scheduled to demonstrate glass blowing, pottery making, sculpture and other art forms.

If it doesn't warm up soon, I think I'll go into hibernation also!

Ye Olde Scribe,  
JIM MEADORS  
Superintendent



# PRUNING TECHNIQUES

## Broad-Leaf Trees

Although small branches and twigs are commonly pruned just above an outside bud or at a fork, they may be clipped or sheared without much regard for the position of dormant buds. New growth normally develops on small branches and twigs a short distance below pruning cuts.

Pruning to a fork or bud that is toward the outside of the tree's crown tends to induce growth that broadens the crown. However, the amount of light the tree receives, the direction of the light, and the nature of the tree also affect the direction of new growth. Some trees do not broaden regardless of the way they are pruned.

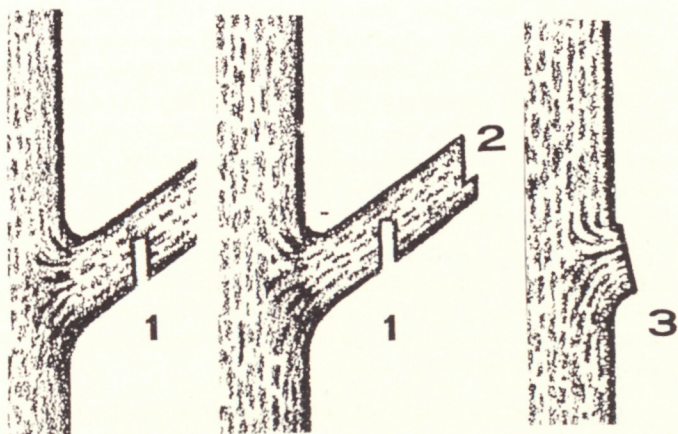
When removing large branches, be careful not to tear loose the bark below the cut. Stub cutting will prevent this.

*Stub cutting* — To prevent stripping the bark, stub cut all branches that are too large to be supported by hand.

Stub cutting requires three saw cuts. Make the first cut on the lower side of the limb, 1 to 2 feet farther out on the limb than the final cut will be made. Saw upward about halfway through the limb, or until the wood pinches the saw blade.

Make the second cut a few inches farther out on the limb. Cut downward from the top until the limb is severed.

Finally, saw off the stub. Leave no bark or wood — or only a very narrow ledge — at the top of the cut. A narrow ledge may be left on the base. Make this cut as smooth as you can; smooth it with the chisel, if necessary.

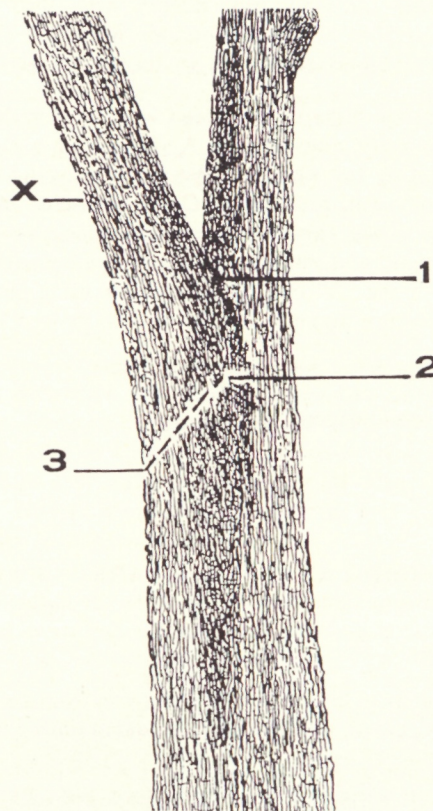


Stub cutting a heavy member to prevent splitting the wood and stripping the bark. Make first cut from below at 1; cut off the limb from above at 2. Then remove the stub with a cut at 3.

Short stubs that are not removed usually die. These dead stubs are points through which decay fungi can enter the tree.

*V-crotches* — To avoid leaving a stub when pruning out one member of a V crotch, make the final cut to the point where the two members join solidly. On large limbs or trunks, this point of solid juncture usually is lower than it appears to be.

To find this point of solid juncture, first make a cut from the outside of the branch to the apparent point of juncture. Then, using a chisel, carefully chip away the wood at the crotch until you reach the actual point where the wood joins.



Cutting a V crotch. Stub cut the large member at X. The apparent juncture of the branches is at 1; the actual point of union is at 2. A cut from 3 to 2 gives the best surface for healing.

When you have found the point of juncture, shape the cut so it slopes downward from this point. Make the angle of the slope no larger than is necessary to permit normal healing — an angle of 30 to 45 degrees is about right. A sharper angle leaves too large a wound. A shallower angle commonly retards healing, presents more opportunity for water to soak into the wood, and encourages growth of decay fungi.



## MAINTENANCE PRUNING

In your program of scheduled pruning, try to eliminate undesirable branches or shoots while they are young. Drastic, difficult, or expensive pruning may be avoided by early corrective pruning.

Here is a list of things to look for and prune:

- Dead, dying, or unsightly parts of trees.
- Sprouts growing at or near the base of the tree trunk.
- Branches that grow toward the center of the tree.
- Crossed branches. If branches cross and rub together, disease and decay fungi can enter the tree through the abraded parts.
- V crotches. If it is possible to do so without ruining the appearance of the tree, remove one of the members forming a V crotch. V crotches split easily; their removal helps to prevent storm damage to the tree.
- Multiple leaders. If several leaders develop on a tree that normally has only a single stem and you wish the tree to develop its typical shape, cut out all but one leader. This restores dominance to the remaining stem.
- "Nuisance" growth. Cut out branches that are likely to interfere with electric or telephone wires. Remove branches that shade street lights or block the view in streets so as to constitute a traffic hazard. Prune out branches that shut off breezes. Cut off lower limbs that shade the lawn excessively.

Unless all of your trees are small, you probably will need help from professional tree surgeons for the first year of your pruning program.

## TREATING WOUNDS

Small pruning cuts on deciduous trees usually heal quickly. Large cuts — over 1 inch in diameter — should be treated to prevent entrance of decay or disease while the wound is healing.

For best results, treat the wound with asphalt varnish containing an antiseptic. The antiseptic prevents spread of harmful organisms that may contaminate the treating material. Asphalt varnish containing antiseptic is available at some garden-supply stores.

If you cannot get a dressing containing antiseptic, preferably use ordinary asphalt varnish. But before applying plain asphalt varnish, swab the wound with alcohol or coat it with shellac.

Apply the dressing as soon as the wound is dry.

Most pruning wounds can be painted as soon as they are made. If the wound is wet or bleeding, however, asphalt varnish will not adhere; let the wound dry before applying the dressing.

Keep an unbroken film of dressing over pruning wounds. One coat of paint will last 2 or 3 years — long enough for small wounds to heal completely. Larger wounds may need to be recoated with the dressing several times before they heal. Inspect the wounds periodically and apply additional dressing if the coating is cracked or peeling.

Needle-leaf evergreens usually seal small wounds with natural gums and resins. If a resin coating forms over the wound, the wound need not be painted. If no resin forms, treat the wood as described for deciduous trees.

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## CONSTRUCTION — HOW IT AFFECTS US

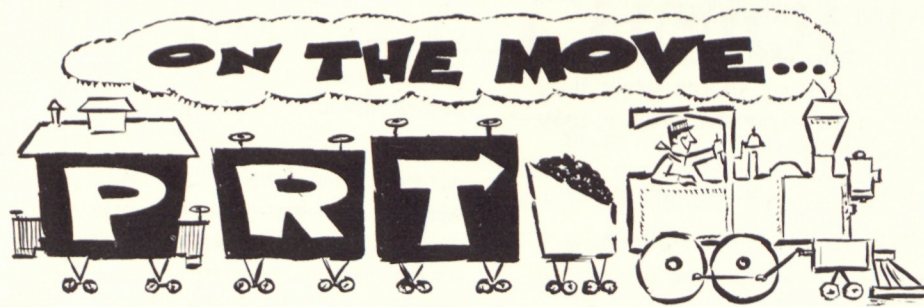
If you have ever wondered what makes our way of life possible, consider briefly the construction industry. Without construction, whether it be new housing starts, new commercial projects or renovation work, our economy would quickly begin to suffer.

Construction in its various forms affects each of us in some way. We can not consider this industry without also looking at the various related fields and products that support it. Some of the jobs that are generated from the building of a single private residence are the banker who finances the project, the designer, the site work contractor, the brick masons, the frame carpenters, the electricians, the heating and cooling contractor, the dry wall contractor, the interior finish contractor, the carpet layers, the painters, the tile setters, and some unskilled laborers that are used by the various trades. In addition to all the workers needed are the products and materials used by these people. They must be delivered to the job site, thus creating additional jobs.

How does all this affect you? All you need to do is look around you! How many people do you know whose livelihood is derived from either the manufacture, delivery or sale of some product or material or furnishing used in construction? Perhaps no other industry provides as many jobs as the construction industry, and jobs affect us all.

ARCHIE G. MOORE  
Engineering Associate





## Promotions and Transfers

Name	From	To
Frank Baughman	Supt. I, Hamilton Branch	Supt. II, Sadlers Creek
W. N. Boyce, Jr.	Ranger I, Andrew Jackson	Ranger II, Greenwood
Steven R. Edison	Ranger III, Hunting Is.	Asst. Supt., Hunting Island
William S. Fogle	Sales Clerk, Santee	Clerk I, Santee
Marvin L. Gillian	Ranger I, Greenwood	Ranger I, Chester
John W. Mixon	Ranger I, Baker Creek	Ranger I, Kings Mountain
Jefferson W. Moore	Asst. Supt., Hunting Is.	Supt. I, Hamilton Branch
Cecil Pruette	Ranger II, Greenwood	Ranger I, Cheraw
William T. Putnam	Stores Supv., Ser. & Sup.	Sup. & Prop. Off., Ser. & Sup.
Charles Rainey	Ranger II, Hunting Is.	Ranger III, Hunting Island
Dwight A. Smith	CETA, Hickory Knob	Ranger I, Rivers Bridge

## Resignations

Cheryl A. Burrows	Canteen Operator I, CTL
Jonathan Foster	Ranger I, Chester
Ewart C. Irick	Ranger I, Santee
James R. Ivey, Jr.	Supt. II, Sadlers Creek
Timothy Johnson	Laborer, Ser. & Sup.
Lena Kordonis	Info. Clerk I, CTL
Michael Stevens	P. I. Spec. II, CTL
E. Gayle Troutman	Clerk I, Santee
Gary Ward	Ranger I, Kings Mountain

## New Employees

L. Bruce Cannon	Ranger I, Greenwood
Freeman Fair	Laborer, Ser. & Supply
Joe A. George	Trades Worker, Hickory Knob
Henry E. Holt	Canteen Operator I, Santee
Fred L. Lusk, Sr.	Trades Helper II, Field Maintenance
Noma T. Rogers	Canteen Operator I, CTL
Robert Willis	Ranger I, Baker Creek



## HOW TO WIN AT WORK . . . . .

# **DIVIDE AND CONQUER!**

Whether we are engaged in work, play or just plain loafing, our every waking moment is consumed by performing a task. That task may involve doing nothing, but the decision about "what to do next" must be made hundreds, even thousands of times each day.

Our jobs often require that we perform duties of both short-term and long-term duration. A campsite can be raked in twenty minutes, but it may take two weeks to lay new water lines, or run underground electrical service to that new loop of 25 campsites.

Whether the job at hand is large or small, the hours roll by and the end of the day finds us frustrated to find that the job is still in the "unfinished" category. The "biggies" are often the ones that drive us up the wall. They loom on the horizon like a mammoth prehistoric beast, larger than life itself! How can we handle this all-consuming creature?

The answer is . . . divide and conquer! My "biggie" every three months is the preparation of PARK LITES. I enjoy it immensely, but the task of preparing each issue (even with the assistance of so many of you) is akin to a death struggle with a determined dinosaur. The only way that I can complete the job is to make each step in the process a task in itself.

One of my favorite pastimes is working at odd jobs in and around the house. Washing windows, mowing and raking fall into the this "dinosaur" category. I wash one pane at a time, then move on to the next one. My mowing, raking, fertilizing and seeding activities are accomplished by dividing the yard into sections.

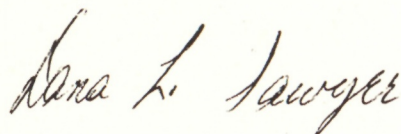
I get tired just thinking about all the work that Lynn and I have accomplished in the last six months since we moved into our new home. Yet, little by little, the necessary things were done (well into the wee hours of the night!) If you've never changed out light switches by flashlight, you've never lived!

My entire body is aching as I write this editorial. Two days ago I loaded three pickup loads of pine bark at a local sawmill, then unloaded them at the house. Yesterday Lynn and I put them around our shrubbery . . . I stopped counting wheelbarrow loads after I passed one thousand! I can truthfully say that I feel my age today and am certainly worthy of being included in the "fossil" category!

The bulk of our park reports in this issue mention the progress being made with the winter work program. Some of these projects also fall into the "dinosaur" category. Just remember that the secret is to "divide and conquer!"

I have received firsthand reports from my parents in New Hampshire concerning the recent onslaught of Old Man Winter. Only TWO days in January did the HIGH temperature rise above the freezing mark! Accumulations of snow were of such heights that motorists approaching an intersection could not see cars approaching from side streets! Only a few jobs can be labelled completely worthless . . . for the benefit of our snowbound Yankee acquaintances marooned in the outer reaches north of the Mason-Dixon line, my vote for this issue is cast for SNOW SHOVELING!

Send me your choice for the Most Worthless Job . . . however, I doubt if my choice of snow shoveling can be topped. Remember my advice the next time that you are locked in a death struggle with your favorite pterodactyl . . . success comes when you divide and conquer!



DANA L. SAWYER  
*Editor*

P.S. Pterodactyl — a prehistoric flying dinosaur!





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A good time is in store for some 80 3rd and 4th graders from the Florida Street Elementary School in Clinton as State Park Naturalist John Reid Clonts leads the group on a nature walk at Paris Mountain State Park.